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GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTERS.

MACDONALD AND THORNTON SENTENCED TO PRISON BY SOVIET

VILLA WIN AGAINST NEWCASTLE

Everton's Second Defeat In Two Days.

LINCOLN NOW SAFE

London, To-day.
Aston Villa avenged their defeat at St. James Park when they overwhelmed Newcastle United at Villa Park yesterday. The Villa are now second to the Arsenal, six points in arrears.

Everton, F.A. Cup finalists suffered a second defeat in two days when Leeds scored the only goal at Huddersley. The Cup Final will be played at Wembley this coming Saturday, when Manchester City will be opposed to last year's League champions. Chelsea gained a valuable point at Leicester and are now in a more satisfactory position to avoid relegation.

Lincoln made certain of another season in the Second Division when they shared the spoils against the City at Bradford.

The following were the results as cabled by Reuter.

FIRST DIVISION	
Aston Villa	3 Newcastle
Huddersfield	3 Liverpool
Leeds	1 Everton
Leicester	1 Chelsea
SECOND DIVISION	
Bradford C.	1 Lincoln
Third Division (South).	
Coventry	3 Aldershot
Northampton	2 Torquay
Luton	3 Queen's P.R.
DIVISION III. (North)	
Halifax	2 Barnsley
Rotherham	3 Southport

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DONOGHUE NOT RIDING IN EPSOM RACE

City And Suburban Handicap.

CHAMPION JOCKEY ON COLORADO KID

London, To-day.

Gordon Richards, champion English jockey for the past two years, will take out Colorado Kid in the City and Suburban Handicap over one mile and two furlongs at Epsom this afternoon.

Among the probable fifteen starters is Clogheen, last year's winner. Totalg, winner of last year's Royal Hunt Club will be sent to the post with Bob Carlisle in the saddle. Steve Donoghue has again given this race a miss.

Owing to the inability of the owner to secure the services of a suitable jockey Goldennis is an unlikely starter.

The following are the probable starters and jockeys:

Dastur (Beady).
Totalg (Carlisle).
Inglesant (Pat Beasley).
Great Scot (Collins).
Pommane (Perryman).
Colorado Kid (Gordon Richards).
Clogheen (Graves).
Wild Boy (Nicol).
Epicure (Weston).
Sandbag (Smith).
Barrage (W. Rickaby).
Flange (Dines).
Leicester Lane (Evans).
The Cheerful Abbot (Clifford Richards).
Bon Soldier (Canty).

—Reuter.

FIVE BRITISHERS DECLARED GUILTY

MOSCOW COURT'S VERDICT

3 BRITONS BANISHED;
ONE ACQUITTED

PRIVY COUNCIL MEETS TO-DAY TO CONSIDER BOYCOTT



Mr. John Cushman.

AN APPEAL AGAINST TWO SENTENCES

Other Four Britishers Leave To-morrow.

STAFF OF NINE TO CONTINUE VICKERS' BUSINESS

Moscow, To-day.

An appeal is to be lodged against the sentences imposed on Thornton and Macdonald. Monkhouse, Nordwall, Cushman and probably Gregory, will leave Russia to-morrow night.

Metropolitan Vickers will still be represented by nine men, who, pending instructions will continue the firm's business as usual.

The deportation sentences imply that Monkhouse, Cushman and Nordwall must leave Russia within three days from 1.25 a.m. to-day, and before leaving the Court they were asked to sign a document to that effect.

They will leave at 10.45 p.m. to-night for England, accompanied by Gregory.

Monkhouse, interviewed by Reuter, together with the others, said that Thornton and Macdonald were marched off from Court under guard before they had time to say goodbye, but they hoped to visit them in prison this afternoon.

They were much more depressed at the fate of their colleagues in prison than overjoyed at their own liberty, and they drank their colleagues' health with solemnity. — Reuter.

"We Need Sleep."

The Britishers are advised by Turner not to comment on the trial as it might not be wise at the present juncture. They all said that what they needed most was 24 hours sleep.

Monkhouse said that he did not know who would represent Metropolitan Vickers in Russia after his departure, but there was no reason to suppose that the trial would affect the business between his firm and the Soviet. Meanwhile, business is being carried on as usual, pending instructions, by nine men.

The question of an appeal by the Russian employees is being considered, but is not yet decided. The deported men and Gregory are due in London in three days' time and the first thing they will do will be to interview Metropolitan Vickers. — Reuter.

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A FEW MOMENTS BEFORE THE CLOCK ON THE KREMLIN TOWER CHIMED THE HOUR OF MIDNIGHT LAST NIGHT, FIVE OF THE SIX BRITISH ENGINEERS OF METROPOLITAN VICKERS, ARRAIGNED HERE ON CHARGES OF MILITARY AND POLITICAL ESPIONAGE, SABOTAGE AND BRIBERY, WERE DECLARED GUILTY. MR. A. W. GREGORY WAS ACQUITTED.

Mr. C. Thornton was sentenced to three years' imprisonment and Mr. W. Macdonald to two years' imprisonment, while Messrs. A. Monkhouse, J. Cushman and C. Nordwall were ordered to be banished from Russia. Ten of the 11 Russian accused were sentenced to terms of imprisonment varying from 10 years to 18 months.

Unprecedented scenes were witnessed both inside and outside the Court during the 8 1/2 hours' retirement of the Judges, and large bodies of militia were called out to check the dense throng of people who gathered outside the Trades' Union Hall to hear the verdict; the culmination of the nine-day trial.

WIDE INTEREST WAS EVINCED IN LONDON, AND IN FLEET STREET CARS WERE HELD IN READINESS TO RUSH SPECIAL EDITIONS OF THE EVENING PAPERS TO ALL PARTS OF THE CITY. FOREIGN OFFICE OFFICIALS KEPT AN ALL-NIGHT VIGIL, AWAITING NEWS, AND A PRIVY COUNCIL MEETING HAS BEEN SUMMONED FOR THIS MORNING TO CONSIDER A BOYCOTT ON SOVIET GOODS.

The proceedings yesterday, up to the time of the Judges' retirement at 3.30 p.m., constituted the speeches of the defence counsel, and the final pleas of the accused. With the exception of Macdonald, who declared, "I am guilty, I have nothing to add," the Britishers strongly denied the charges.

The Russians, without exception, pleaded guilty.

Britishers' Sentences.

The sentences on the British engineers are as follows:—
Charles Thornton, 3 years' imprisonment.
William Macdonald, 2 years' imprisonment.
Alan Monkhouse, expulsion.
John Cushman, expulsion.
Charles Nordwall, expulsion.
A. W. Gregory was acquitted.

Russians' Penalties.

The Russian accused were sentenced as follows:—
Gusev, 10 years' imprisonment.
Lobanov, 10 years' imprisonment.
Sukoruchin, 10 years' imprisonment.
Zarin, 8 years' imprisonment.
Kotlyarsky, 8 years' imprisonment.
Krasnenkov, 5 years' imprisonment.
Krasnenkov, 5 years' imprisonment.
Oleinok, 3 years' imprisonment.
Lebedev, 2 years' imprisonment.
Maksimov, 18 months' imprisonment.
Sievier was acquitted.

Awaiting The Verdict.

CARDS, DICE, BOOKS AND SUPPER IN THE COURT.

At 11.30 p.m. last night the Judges had been considering the verdict for five hours in a room adjoining the Court. Hundreds of spectators were pacing anxiously to and fro outside the door waiting to rush in when the electric bell rang.
Caviare sandwiches and other Russian delicacies were being consumed at the buffet in the Court, and many parties were playing cards, dice and reading books to their fate.

Officials Wait At Foreign Office.

TELEPHONE LINE KEPT OPEN TO MOSCOW.

London, To-day.

The Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon and a number of high Government Officials remained at the Foreign Office throughout yesterday evening awaiting the Moscow trial verdict, which, immediately on receipt, was flashed by wireless to the Premier, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald who is proceeding to the United States on the s.s. Berengaria for his talk with President Roosevelt.

It is understood that the Foreign Office, throughout the night kept a direct telephone line open to Moscow. The London evening newspapers, which ordinarily close down at 6 p.m. remained open awaiting a Reuter flash of the verdict. Fleet Street was lined with vans waiting to dash the special editions throughout London.—Reuter.

PRIVY COUNCIL MEETING.

London, Later.

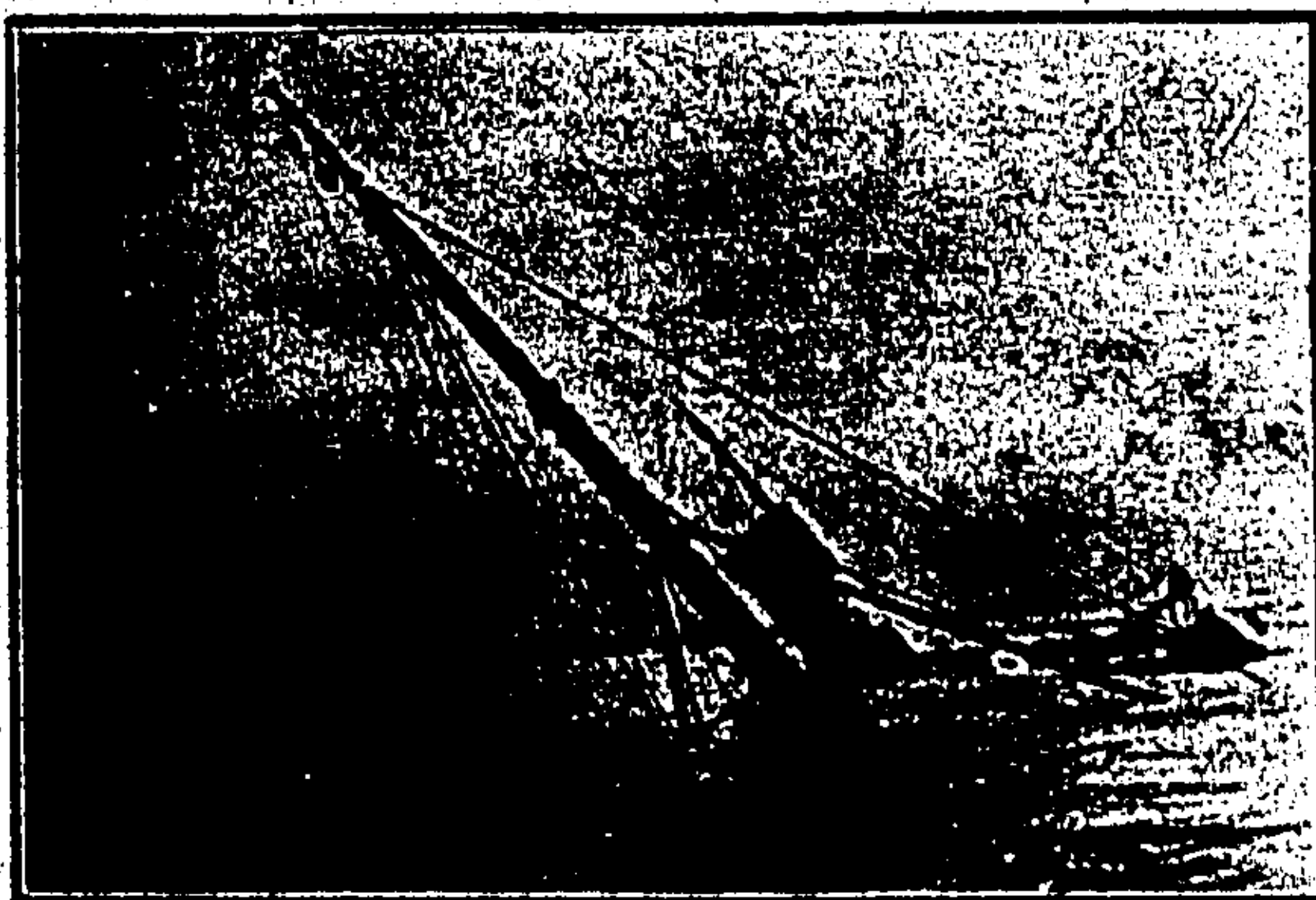
It was officially announced here at 3 a.m. that a meeting of the Privy Council has been summoned for this morning at Windsor Castle for the purpose of authorising a proclamation under the Russian Goods Import Prohibition Act.—Reuter.

MACDONALD & THORNTON TO GO TO LUBIANKA PRISON.

Moscow, Later.

Only Thornton and Macdonald are now under arrest. They will be taken to Lubianka prison.—Reuter.

pass the time.
The British accused and the staff of the British Embassy were impatiently awaiting the verdict in a special room behind the Judges' stand.
The Russian prisoners who arrived from the prison in heavily guarded cars were also awaiting their fate.



With only mast and funnel showing above the water, the ill-fated Norwegian steamer, "Fjorden," which went aground on Cheung Chau Rock last week, now lies in six fathoms of water, a menace to shipping.

SOVIET TRIAL CONDEMNED BY LONDON PRESS

Travesty Of Justice Alleged.

DIVERSE OPINIONS ON RETALIATION

London, To-day.

Most of the English morning papers condemn the Moscow trial as a travesty of justice either in leading articles or by interpretative sardonic write-ups.

The "Times" and the "Daily Herald" are exceptions. They keep strictly to facts.

The "Daily Telegraph" in a leading article states that the Government must use the utmost efforts to procure commutation of the sentences. If commutation is not immediately forthcoming it will be necessary to consider taking measures for which the Government is fully equipped, the "Telegraph" states.

The "Daily Mail" hopes that even Soviet "Justice" will eventually commute the sentences to deportation. The Government has handled the crisis firmly and courageously throughout, and should further steps have to be taken, the Cabinet have the wholehearted support of the Nation, the newspaper states.

The "News Chronicle" commenting on the mildness of the sentences on Macdonald and Thornton, suggests that, if properly approached, the Soviet may be induced to commute them. Threats, however, are useless and an embargo would be worse than useless, the paper adds.

The "Daily Mirror" states that the interruption of trade relations will not satisfy the British public, but "We must await the official statement on the considered policy of the Government."—Reuter.

Company's Confidence In Employees.

"VICTIMS OF TRAVESTY OF JUSTICE."

London, To-day.

An official statement issued by Metropolitan Vickers last night, declares that the Company will to-day consider the position arising from the judgment.

In the meantime the Company reaffirms their complete confidence in the members of the staff, whom they state, have been victims of this travesty of justice, and who are known to the Company to be men of the highest integrity.
The Directors of Metropolitan Vickers declare that they have no faith in the so-called evidence pro-

CLEAN-UP OF BANDITS

Manchukuo Officials Take Action.

PIRACY SEQUELS

Dairen, To-day.

The kidnapping of the British officers of the Nanchang from their original kidnappers, and other bandit atrocities, has actuated the Manchukuo Government in ordering a thorough combing of the triangular zone in which are the brigand chiefs Teng Teh-mei and Liu Tien-wen and 2,000 of their followers.—Reuter.

JAPANESE SHELL KUPEIKOW

No Attempt Yet At Advance.

Peking, To-day.

A Chinese communique reports renewed activity on the part of the Japanese on the Kupeikow front, over two hundred shells being fired into Nantienmen, a few miles inside Kupeikow, and the Chinese front line. The Japanese, however, made no attempt to advance.—Reuter.

SPEED FLYING RECORDS

Italian Pilot's New Record.

700 KILOMETRES AN HOUR.

Milan, To-day.

Colonel Bernasconi, head of the high speed flying school at Desenzano, Lake Garda, is reported to have claimed to have attained a speed of over 700 kilometres per hour in a new plane.
The report is not yet confirmed.—Reuter.

Warrant Officer Aggelo captured the world's air speed record for Italy on April 10 when he attained a speed of 487.5 miles per hour at Lake Garda. He flew five times over the straight course at an average of 682.408 kilometres per hour and on one lap attained a maximum speed of 692.529 kilometres per hour.

duced at the trial, or the validity of the alleged confessions.

At the moment, the Company's one concern is for the men affected, and as soon as the legal representatives have returned from Moscow, a detailed statement will be issued by the Company, laying out in full the allegations made

UPWARD TREND ON WALL ST.

Silver Inflation Rumours.

BRISK BUSINESS DONE

New York, To-day.

The New York stock market displayed a slight upward trend, yesterday. The silver market has been influenced by the aggressive buying, apparently caused by the continued rumours of inflation, and also by the strength of foreign currencies. Business improved to 1,430,000 shares.

In their daily report, Messrs. E. A. Pierce & Co., through their local agents, Messrs. Asia Lands, Ltd., state:—

The controlling market is influenced still by inflation talk, which is likely to continue to be the principal factor at present. Rails and utilities are disappointing, particularly rails.

The wheat and silver markets have felt the influence of continued inflation rumours, aided also by the strength of foreign currencies.

Cotton: An active market, with minor profit-taking in evidence at the close.

Industrials advanced 1.06, rails 0.42, and utilities 0.24, while bonds declined 0.25.—Reuter.

PERSIA'S TRADE WITH SOVIET

Discontent With Present Treaty.

TEHERAN CONFERENCE

Teheran, To-day.

An Economic Conference has been established by the Persian Government for a daily review of the Persian-Soviet trade relations.

The Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, presiding yesterday, declared that the Persian Government are discontented with the present Persian-Soviet Trade Treaty, and suggested various modifications whereupon leading merchants met to await the result of the proposed cancellation of the Treaty.

The Conference is now discussing the merchants' proposal.—Reuter.

PERSIAN OIL DISPUTE

Hopeful Prospects For Agreement.

NEGOTIATIONS OPENED

Teheran, To-day.

The negotiations between Sir John Cadman, Chairman of the Anglo-Persian Oil Company, and the Persian Government, for the renewal of the Company's concession, opened yesterday.

The Persian Government have submitted their proposals, which Sir John Cadman is considering. The nature of the proposals is strictly secret, but it is hoped that a satisfactory agreement will be reached.—Reuter.



The WOMAN'S Page



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Cotton & Chiffon In New Roles

New Fabrics For Capes.

Cottons and chiffons will take on many new roles this year, and it is interesting to see that many capes are made of cotton for day and "stiffened chiffon" for evening.

Some delightful spongy-cottons in cream and oatmeal shades are being trimmed with "black" muslin. Imagine a pinafore-frock in beige with a short cape of the same all trimmed with ruffles of black transparent muslin. The canvas sandals and sun hat had touches of black, and yet the whole ensemble looked beautifully cool and smart.

Black never wanes in popularity, and even now it will override navy, for which so many women have a great liking.

Another favourite will be "straw" in several shades, and I have also observed puce and pansy cottons used for capes. The tiniest yellow flowers looked too quaint for words on the reddish purple-pansy-Victorian shade. A straw-coloured ground had a charming stripe of cinnamon-brown. Nothing, however, could beat for summer-like charm an apple-green and white check.

Quaint Reds

There are quaint reds to be worn, too; they look well with beige. Grey (pumice-grey) is good with green and blue, especially for the spring-like tweeds and the new soft wool crepes. In the

THE TAILOR MADE

As a Change From the Customary Spring
Coat and Frock



By MARIE MAROT

THE PLAIN, smart suit, always with us, this year is a universal fashion—a change from the customary spring coat and frock. The suit shown in today's drawing is very attractive—real tailor made, but with new and very smart softening touches. Use of various waistlines, high, medium and low, is an entirely new note. The material is the classic navy blue serge, ideal for the tailored suit. The long, rolling revers and the clever double-breasted fastening are well managed details. With the suit is worn the blouse shown in the sketch, of striped black and green shirting silk. It has the popular loose scarf-collar and the short sleeve, which still obtains in the majority of casual blouses.

knitted range, I think all blues will successfully mix with grey, and beige as well.

String colour is pleasant when relieved with pillar box red, which seems a favourite colour alliance to "start" cruising in.

Fur, from the strictly fashion point of view, is not so much in evidence, though cold snaps naturally bring out fur coats.

Wool coats, with soft woolly collars, or neat velvet ones for the tailored suit of cloth of serge, are high in the lists. The cape of the severe order is furless, but has the collar stitched, padded or finished with scarf or bow.

Angora is seen in pastel tones for suits and "two-pieces", the same fabric is delightful for the

absurd little caps that are finished with a ruffled bow of patterned taffeta or plaid-ribbon, and dip over the right eye.

Picot split Lisieret straws are so like fabric in their latest form that it is just as easy to drape them. Some are "dull," others "shine" in the same way as materials do. This is a fashion that seems to die hard.

COLOUR TOUCHES.

Daytime handkerchiefs come now in huge sizes and gay colours. It gives a nice accent for a sombre dress to flaunt a flaming handkerchief from your purse, or your belt or cuff. You can get handsome initialled ones, in colour, too.

Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

Breakfast
Grapefruit
Waffles and Syrup
Broiled Bacon Coffee
Dinner
Baked Chicken Giblet Stuffing
Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Onions
Cranberry Sauce
Bread Butter
Banbury Tarts Coffee
Supper
Chicken Sandwiches Tea
Chocolate Cake Apples
Giblet Stuffing
(For 5 1/2 pound fowl)

Giblets
2 cups water
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon paprika
3 cups soft bread crumbs
4 tablespoons butter, melted
1 teaspoon poultry seasoning
Thoroughly wash giblets. Add water and cook slowly 1 hour in covered pan. Drain and reserve the stock. Chop giblets, add 4 tablespoons of stock and rest of ingredients. Stuff chicken. Use rest of giblet stock for gravy.
Banbury Filling for 8 Tarts
1/2 cup chopped raisins
1/2 cup chopped dates
1/4 cup chopped citron
1/2 cup sugar
3 tablespoons orange juice
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon butter
1 egg yolk
Mix fruits and sugar. Add fruit juices and salt. Cook slowly, stir frequently until mixture thickens. Add rest of ingredients and cook one minute. Cool. Spread portions on 4-inch squares of unbaked pastry. Fold over three corner ways and prick with fork. Place on baking sheet, bake 25 minutes in moderate oven.

Chicken Filling
(For 8 sandwiches)
1/2 cup diced chicken
1/2 cup finely chopped celery
3/4 tablespoons chopped pickle
1/2 teaspoon salt
4 tablespoons mayonnaise
Mix ingredients and use as sandwich filling.

HINT TO DRESSMAKERS.

If you make your own clothes, always shrink washable material before you make it up. You'll be able to save cleaning bills by washing the things yourself and even if you prefer to have them cleaned, you'll be sure that they aren't going to shrink when the cleaner dampens them for pressing.

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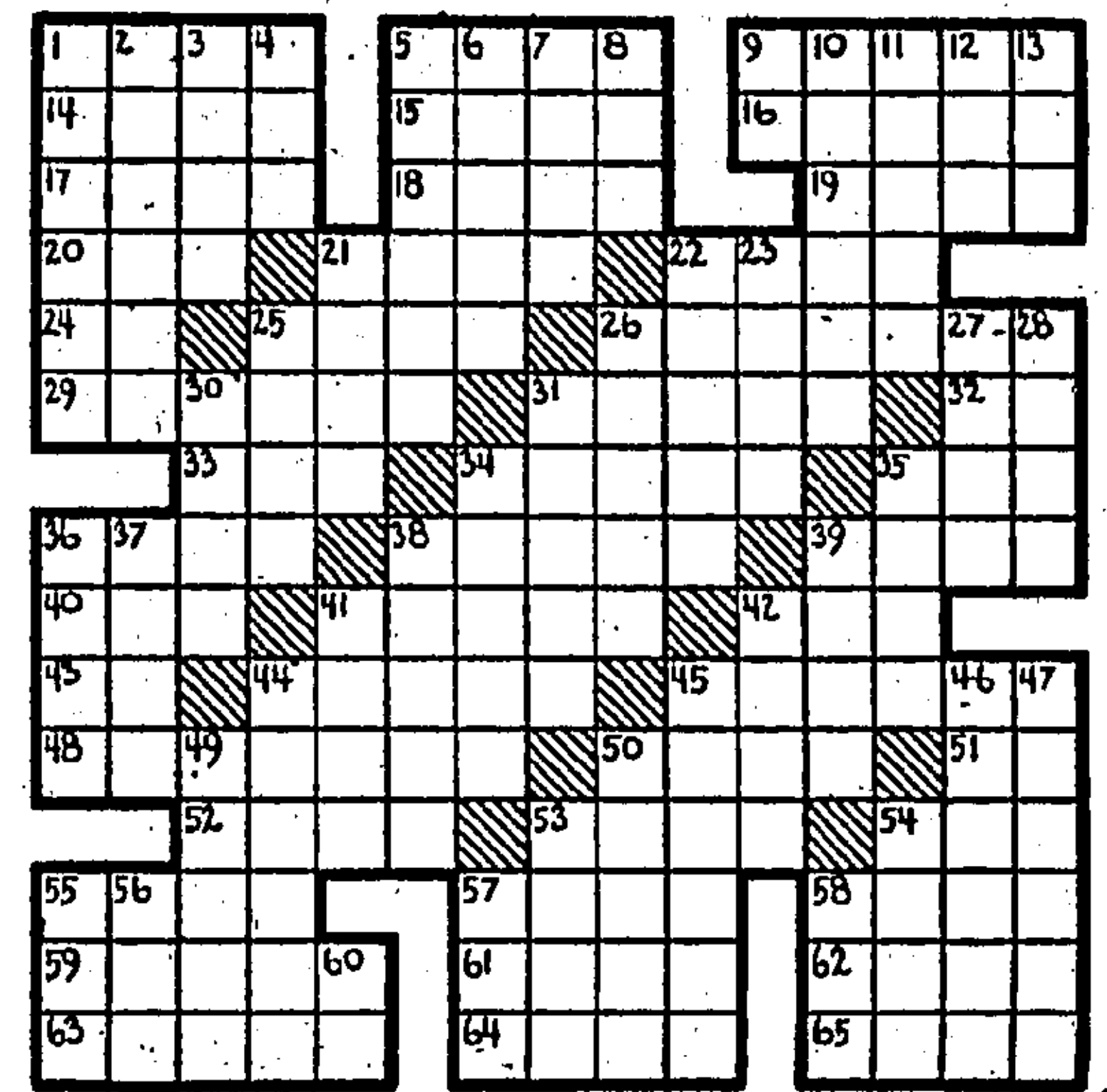


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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

1-Linger
8-Walk
9-Bitter
14-Bear (Obs.)
15-Fruit of pine tree
16-Portion
17-Ireland (Post.)
18-Decays
19-Yield
20-Slasy
21-Automobile
22-Portus (Gr. Arch.)
24-Tantalum (abbr.)
25-Receded, as the tide
26-Chester
29-Serfs
31-Topic
32-Mother (Short)
33-Steep, as flax
34-Goats
35-Large
36-Twirl
38-Growth on the head (pl.)
39-Vehicles
40-Youth
41-Dish of greens
42-A container
43-Conjunction
44-Satisfied
45-Wadded
48-Enticed
50-Mountains in Europe

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

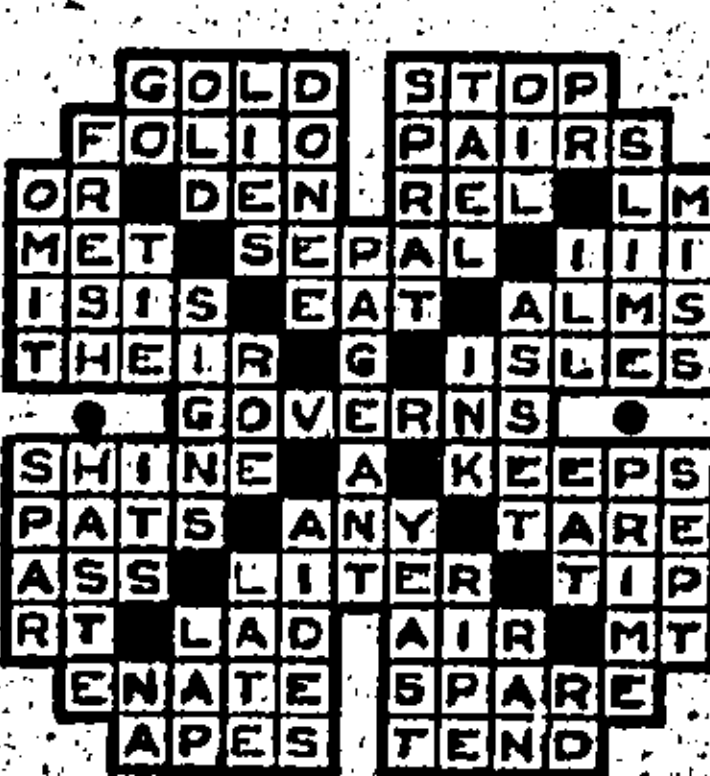
61-The (Fr.)
62-Greek god of war
63-Blind
64-Hinder
65-Prefix. Against
67-Girl's name
68-Anything to allure
69-Restrains
61-Imitated
62-Eagle
63-A tropical fruit
64-Spreads loosely for drying
65-Want

VERTICAL (Cont.)

21-Aid
22-Shanties
23-Child's hat (pl.)
24-Equal
25-Accord
27-Turkish official
28-Old horses
30-Dry
31-Group of three things
34-Dimmed
35-To unite together
36-Groove
37-Remove the skin
38-Displese
39-III-bred fellows
41-Satisfy
42-Covers
44-A season
45-Bags
46-Girl's name
47-Scarred
49-Belonging to the morning
50-Ventilated
53-Narrow twilled material
54-Barren
55-To equip
56-National Education Association (abbr.)
57-Perched
58-Boy's name (Short)
60-Vary

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



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CINEMA NOTES

MAIL REVIEW "THE MUMMY"—CENTRAL THEATRE

The "horror" phase in pictures has not yet ended. Boris Karloff's next, "The Mummy" is now showing at the Central Theatre.

It is a tale of ancient Egypt, with huge sets designed by Will Pogany, the American scenic artist, and Boris Karloff breaking all records for fantastic make-up as a 3,700-years-old mummy.

A clever new star, Zita Johann, who made a tremendous "hit" in "Tiger Shark" gives a very impressive performance.

MAIL REVIEW

"ME AND MY GAL"—KING'S THEATRE.

Based on an original story by Barry Connors and Philip Klein, and directed by Raul Walsh, "Me And My Gal" featuring Spencer Tracy and Joan Bennett is now showing at the King's Theatre.

Joan Bennett portrays the role of a sophisticated cashier in a downtown New York restaurant, while Tracy appears as a smart young detective. Their romance leads to exciting paths, particularly for Tracy, who runs to earth a gang of desperate bank robbers.

This film, the second Tracy-Bennett partnership, is as good if not better than their first picture, "She Wanted A Millionaire" which scored such a huge success wherever it was shown.

MAIL REVIEW

"AS YOU DESIRE ME"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

Greta Garbo, most famous of all screen stars, and the idol of millions, makes a welcome re-appearance on the local screen in "As You Desire Me", now showing at the Queen's Theatre.

With a cast including such famous stars as Eric von Stroheim, Owen Moore and Albert Con-elli, the film gives an excellent picture of the many scenic beauties during the Italian "Feast of Midsummer" a traditional celebration.

The film which is adapted from the stage play of the same name, has scored a huge success wherever it was shown.

MAIL REVIEW "THE LOST SQUADRON"—MAJESTIC THEATRE.

The self-sacrificing brotherhood of men, air thrills galore, and a glorious romance are combined in the RKO-Radio Pictures' "The Lost Squadron" now showing at the Majestic Theatre.

Richard Dix and a remarkable supporting cast appear in this dramatic air-thriller.

Jehol Governor



Gen. Tang Yu-lin, (above) deposed Governor of Jehol.

BRIDGE NOTES

CONCEALING A WEAK SPOT.

Intelligent anticipation of the effect of your play on observant adversaries is often essential for a successful issue at Contract Bridge. As Declarer you have always advantages, and not the least of these is that you can play false cards as you like without detriment to your partner. Your object is to convey a wrong impression to your opponents in order to put them off the scent. It may be that you wish them to continue the suit originally led, or you may desire to put them on another trail.

In No Trump declarations especially there is generally a weak spot. When the game or contract is in jeopardy you should try to prevent them from discovering that weak spot. Generally it must be done early in the play. If deferred the weakness is apt to be revealed. Only by prompt action can you ward off the danger. The following example illustrates the process:—

Y.—
S.—5. 4. 3.
H.—8. 2.
D.—K. 4.
C.—K. J. 8. 6. 5. 2.

A.—
S.—K. 9. 2.
H.—K. 10. 7. 6. 3.
D.—Q. 6. 5. 2.
C.—9.

B.—
S.—A. J. 10. 8. 7.
H.—J. 9. 5.
D.—7.
C.—Q. 10. 4. 3.

Z.—
S.—Q. 6.
H.—A. Q. 4.
D.—A. J. 10. 9. 8. 3.
C.—A. 7.

Score, game all, love all. Z deals and bids Two No Trumps; A No Bid; Y Three Clubs; B No Bid; Z Three No Trumps. All pass.

The bidding is certainly open to question. Z is hardly strong enough to make an initial call of Two No Trumps especially when vulnerable. His proper bid is One No Trump or One Diamond. An initial bid of Two No Trumps requires five honour tricks. Having called Two No Trumps, Y's response of Three Clubs was sound. But Z's call of Three No Trumps was a gamble. Strictly his response should have been Three Diamonds, when Y might perhaps have raised to Three No Trumps. The bidding, however, is given as it occurred and our concern is with the play.

A made the conventional lead of the 6 of Hearts—the fourth highest of his longest suit. As soon as Dummy was exposed Z realized his danger. There was no guard in Spades in the two hands and five, or at least four, in the suit were likely to be made against him. Neither Diamonds nor Clubs could be established probably without the loss of a trick. The problem therefore for Z was how to prevent A and B from discovering the (for them) favourable position.

Contract might be won either by playing Clubs and successfully finessing against the Queen in A's hand or by play of the Diamonds. Z decided rightly that the Diamonds afforded the best chance. But to ensure against a switching of suits on the part of A or B he resorted to a ruse.

On the 6 of Hearts led by A, Z played Dummy's 8. B played the Knave, and Z, instead of winning with the Queen, took the trick with his Ace. This was a deliberate manoeuvre on his part to convey the impression to A that B held the Queen of Hearts. And it had to be thought out, and thought

out quickly, at the very first trick as a result of a determined line of play. Z next led the Knave of Diamonds. A, of course, holding four to the Queen, did not cover, and the trick was won with Dummy's King and the 4 returned. B played the 3 of Clubs, and Z's 8 of Diamonds drew A's Queen. A, confident that B held the Queen of Hearts, led his 3 of Hearts, and when Z won the trick with his Queen expressed his chagrin.

Z made the game and rubber with five tricks in Diamonds, two in Hearts, and two in Clubs, the Spade position never having been disclosed.

It may appear possible that the same result would have followed if Z had won the first trick in the natural way with the Queen instead of the Ace of Hearts. But A admitted that in this case, he would not have led a second Heart at trick three and would have regarded the establishment of Hearts as a forlorn proposition. Z, for all he knew, holding Ace, 9, and another against him. The point of play is the successful deception of A at the very first trick. In false carding Z was taking little risk. He had to finesse the Diamond and he was safe if A held the Queen, and continues Hearts. But he had to guard against B getting in, because B might then lead Spades instead of returning Hearts.

Of course if B holds four Diamonds to the Queen and A only one Z's play will not succeed. In that case he has to try for the Clubs. While he could not tell at the first trick how the cards actually lay, he took by his play the best chance of winning the game and rubber.

LEOPARD SPRINGS ON CAR BONNET.

Jungle Beast Attacks Motorist.

NIGHT THRILL IN BUSH.

Nairobi.

Monsieur Lapierre, a well-known resident of Bunia, a district of the Belgian Congo, had an exciting experience recently when motoring through the bush from Irumu in the dark in a small car.

He noticed ahead a leopard on the bush track. The animal defiantly held its position until knocked over by a wheel of the car.

M. Lapierre carried on for some distance and then was astonished to see that the leopard was following and overtaking him. As the leopard ran alongside the car M. Lapierre would have been able to catch hold of its tail.

When the animal came abreast of the bonnet it sprang on the radiator but was unable to maintain a hold and rolled off, again to be knocked down by the car.

M. Lapierre accelerated and the last he saw of the shaken animal was it squatting in the road, lashing its tail and snarling.

—Reuter.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 855 metres (845 K.C.s):—

12.30 p.m.—European programme of recorded music.
1 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.
1.15 p.m.—A relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra by courtesy of the Management. (During the intervals recorded music will be broadcast from the Studio.)

1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press News. Selected London & New York Stock Quotations, etc.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
2.30-7.30 p.m.—Chinese programme. The Studio programme between 2.30 & 7.15 p.m. will, provided reception proves satisfactory, be by the Daventry programme.

6.45 p.m.—Children's Concert.

7.30 p.m.—A Speech in Chinese by The Hon. Mr. R. H. Kowloon on the occasion of the Formal Opening of the Children's Health Contest and Exhibition from the Hop Yat Church Hall.

7.30-11 p.m.—European programme. 7.30-7.40 p.m.—Selected London & New York Stock Quotations, etc.

7.40-9 p.m.—A recorded programme. 7.40-9 p.m.—Band Selections from Opera.

Il Trovatore (Verdi). Creator's Band. Tales of Hoffmann (Offenbach).

Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards. Tannhauser—March (Wagner).

Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards. 9 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

9.30-10 p.m.—"What the Stars Foretell" for Those Born between the 21st March and the 19th April—A Talk by Professor J. H. Naylor on H.M.V. Record No. B4293.

(This record together with the remainder of the Suite may be obtained from Messrs. S. Moutrie & Co.). 9.10-9 p.m.—Musical Comedy Selections.

Dollar Princess. Nat Shilkret & His Orchestra.

Merry Widow. Marek Weber & His Orchestra.

Folly to be Wise. Blue Roses. New Mayfair Orchestra.

Monsieur Beaucaire. Princess Ida. New Light Symphony Orchestra.

The Gypsy Princess. De Groot & the New Victoria Orch.

Lilac Time. New Mayfair Orch. 9.23 p.m.—From the Studio.

A talk by Mr. J. Milling Jones on His Travels.

9.23-9.30 p.m.—Fantasia on Scottish Airs (arr. Molder).

De Groot & His Orchestra. 9.30-10 p.m.—From the Studio.

A Pianoforte recital by Mr. Harry Ore.

Programme.

1. Fugue in D (Bach). 2. Bagatelle in A (Bethoven).

3. Cradle Song (Brahms-Grainger). 4. Menuet in G (HARRY ORE).

5. Four Latvian Folk Songs (Whitell). 6. Scherzo No. 2 (Chopin).

10.10-10 p.m.—From the Studio. A Radio Playlet entitled "The Rabbit" by The Radio Voice.

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10.10-11 p.m.—A Recorded Concert.

Orchestral—Rosamunde Overture (Schubert).

Sir Hamilton Harty conducting the Halle Orchestra.

Euryanthe—Overture (Weber). Willem Mengelberg & His Concertgebouw Orchestra.

Vocal Duet—Trot Here and There. ("Veronique"—Messenger).

The Swing Song. ("Veronique"—Messenger). Winnie Melville & Derek Oldham.

Piano Solo—Prelude in B Flat (Rachmaninoff). Polichinelle (Rachmaninoff).

Left Polishnoff. Song—Crown of the Year. (Easthope Martin).

Hatfield Bells (Easthope Martin). Percy Heming (Baritone).

Violin Solo—Rondino (Beethoven-Kreisler). Song of India (Rimsky-Korsakov-Kreisler).

Yovanovitch Bratza. Cello Solo—Spanish Dance (Cassado).

Menuet (Paderewski). Gaspar Cassado. 11 p.m.—Rugby Mid-day Press News.

11.05 p.m.—(approx)—Close Down. All records in the above European programmes are from Z.B.W.'s Library.

SECONDARY EDUCATION REFORMS

New Proposals By Head Of Harrow.

IMPORTANCE OF COURSES ON INDUSTRY AND CULTURE.

London.

For most people, declared Dr. Norwood, head master of Harrow School, in advocating reforms in secondary schools, secondary education ends at the age of sixteen. Six per cent of them entered universities then, he said, and 94 per cent went into business, commerce, or industry.

Educationists, he maintained, should think out a course which would justify itself for the 94 per cent, a course which would be related to the life which they would lead.

His conception of secondary education is one which gives a knowledge of the English language, of a foreign language, of mathematics, and science.

Dr. Norwood declared that the emphasis had been wrong in that the tendency had been to give a training for an examination, instead of a preparation for life. A secondary course, he said, should be based on our own industry and culture.

"Its foundation," he continued, "should be the use of our own tongue in speaking and writing, a real grasp of the 19th and 20th centuries, not only of Britain but also of Europe and of the United States, as well as the geography of the world to-day."

"A foreign language should be included, preferably French. Mathematics is of great importance, and there should be a general course in science, including biology."

"An attempt should also be made to link the education with the life of the district, but education should be general, aiming at the development of intelligence."

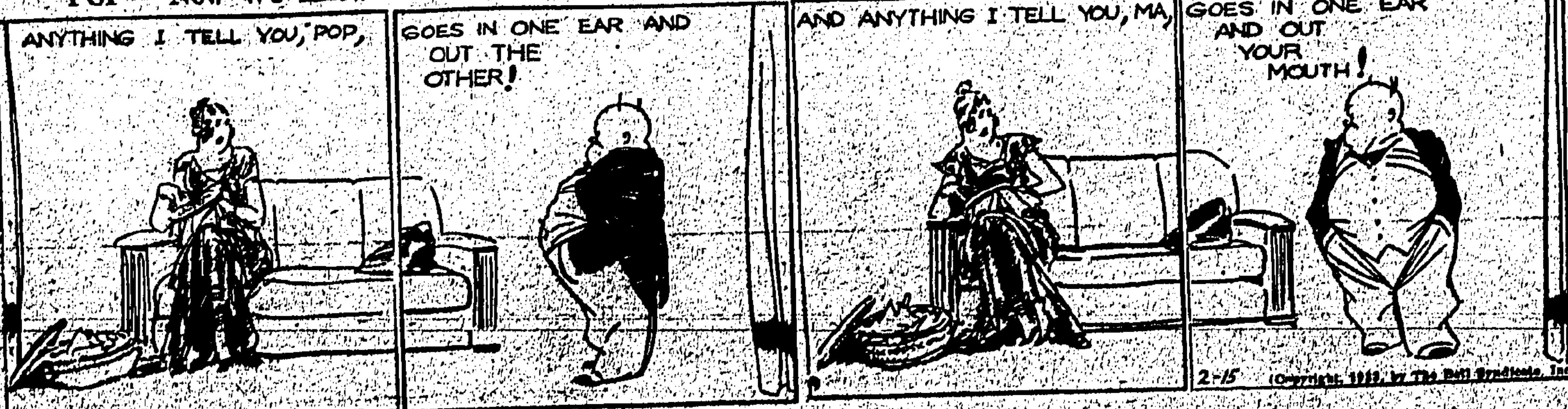
Dr. Norwood said a great national need was a thorough-going campaign to improve physical fitness. —Reuter.

Aided Cermak



Dr. Sam Mosley, of Montgomery, Ala., an intern at the Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, Fla., pictured after a pin of his blood had been transfused into the veins of Mayor Anton Cermak of Chicago in an effort to rally the weakening executive. The Mayor died from the bullet wound received when President-elect Roosevelt's life was attempted.

POP—Now We Know What Spreads The Family Gossip.



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REGENCY PLANNED IN GERMANY

Monarchists Agreed
On Scheme.

BRITISH-BORN NOBLEMAN
PROPOSED

Berlin. Monarchical Germans, with hopes rising high as Adolf Hitler's nazis replace the republic's flag with the banners of the Hohenzollerns, were reported to-day to be well-agreed on a plan to bridge the expected transition to a monarchy by naming Karl Edward, Duke of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha as regent.

Friendly to the Nazis and an ardent nationalist, this 49-year-old British-born nobleman is considered by many ideal for the post.

Once the constitutional changes are made, they would have the duke step aside in favor of Prince Wilhelm Frederick of Prussia, eldest son of ex-Crown Prince Frederick Wilhelm and namesake of his grandfather, the former kaiser.

This procedure, they argue, would prevent the race for the throne from becoming a free-for-all, would take cognizance of the aged ex-emperor's recent renunciation of aspirations for himself and would save the feelings of the former crown prince.

Kaiser Ready To Stand Down.

There is wide acceptance hereabouts of reports from Doorn, Holland, which had Wilhelm II agreeing not to stand in the way of any of his descendants who might be chosen for the Berlin throne. There is equally wide belief that the ex-crown prince would not be as welcome as a ruler as would some other member of the family, especially his own quiet 26-year-old heir.

The young prince has been little in the limelight. He manages one of the family estates at Seddin and last year took a vacation by visiting the United States, where his brother, Louis Ferdinand, was working for Henry Ford.

The Duke of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha fits into this frame because he took an active part in the negotiations between President von Hindenburg and Hitler, seeking to reconcile their views. How well the duke and his co-worker, Vice Chancellor Franz von Papen, succeeded is evidenced by Hitler's ascendancy.

The duke is a die-hard monarchist, a firm believer in the divine right of kings, deeply religious and an uncompromising foe of communism. Recently he wrote in the Deutsche Zeitung:

"People who have lost their belief in God are themselves lost. There is no greater criminality than taking their God from a people, and those who suffer the anti-religious movement will all go to the devil."

"The fight against the rape of belief in every form is a nationalist fight. It is the highest and most binding duty of the nation."

Born In England.

Duke Karl Edward, a grandson of Queen Victoria of Great Britain, was born at Claremont, England, July 19, 1884, educated in English schools and was an officer of the Seaforth Highlanders before coming to Potsdam in 1909 to start a German military career.

He became duke upon the death of a brother, married a niece of the former kaiserin, Augusta Victoria, and has since looked after his possessions in the 763 square miles of territory comprising his duchies. Socialists say he spent \$300,000 on hunting parties in 13 years.

Through marriage of blood the duke is related to the reigning houses of England, Belgium, Ru-

JUNK RACE ACROSS PACIFIC?

Two Frenchmen Reach
Manila In "Fou Po II."

U. S. JUNKS HEADING LUZON

Circumnavigating the world in junk is becoming quite a fashionable pastime. First the "Shin Di Ping Shi" under the command of Captain Blonshfield left Shanghai in the early part of last month and was last reported leaving Hong Kong.

Now we hear of the "Fou Po II" under the command of Captain de Bisschop and L. Tatibouet, which reached Manila on April 2, having crossed in heavy weather from Hong Kong.

The original "Fou Po" left Shanghai on the hazardous journey last November and came to grief on the coast of Formosa. The junk was wrecked and pillaged by the natives. At that time the original "Fou Po" was manned by the two who are on board the "Fou-Po II" and three Russians.

After being wrecked the crew proceeded to Taikoku, the capital of Formosa, where they received a cordial welcome from the authorities and later shipped over to Amoy, where Captain de Bisschop bought a small junk, named it "Fou-Po II" and set out on the perilous journey again, but now only with his companion Tatibouet. The Russians returned to Shanghai and shipped on an "American" junk. Yes, it looks like a junk-race across the Pacific.

MILITARY AIR MAIL FOR SAHARA.

France To Sponsor
Weekly Service.

Paris. A regular air postal service, carried out by military planes, is shortly to be organized in the Sahara.

Lieutenant Colonel Bouscat, who for some time past has held a responsible post in the French Air Ministry, has left Le Bourget for Africa, accompanied by his brother, M. Jean Bouscat, as mechanic.

The plan is to run a regular weekly service between Algiers and Zinder, via Colomb Bechar, Reggan, Bidon, Gao and Namey. If it is found that the military air service is practicable, steps will be taken later to institute a civil postal service for the benefit of the Sahara.

Lieutenant Colonel Bouscat has 2,000 flying hours to his credit, and has carried out many daring flights over the desert. He was also head of M. Painleve's Cabinet Militaire when M. Painleve was Air Minister.—Reuter.

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mania and Sweden and to the Spanish royal family. The latest of these alliances took place last October when his daughter, Princess Sybille, married Prince Gustav, eldest son of the crown prince of Sweden.—A. P.

NEW PLANE FOR CHINA'S AIR FORCE

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SHANGHAI DEMONSTRATION

Shanghai.

The Nanking Government's plans for the formation of a powerful and modern fighting air force went a step further with the demonstration at the Lungwha Aerodrome of the latest type of single-seater pursuit plane. The demonstration was made by Major James H. Doolittle, one of America's and the world's most famous aviators.

Some of China's most famous aviators and military officials were present at the demonstration and were deeply impressed with the plane's performance. A biplane, painted an olive-drab colour with yellow wings, streamlined and embodying the latest improvements in aerodynamics, the plane literally "wiped up the ground" with some of the foreign aviation experts who were present at the demonstration. 245 Miles Per Hour.

The "ship" which is said to be owned by China Airways, is powered by the latest type of Wright Cyclone engine and is known as the "Hawk." It has an official rating of 650 h.p. but in tests in the United States, it has developed 700 h.p. and has a maximum speed of around 245 miles per hour on the straightaway. The "ceiling" of this craft is estimated in the neighbourhood of 35,000 feet.

The demonstration was conducted by the China National Aviation Corporation, who are taking care of and servicing the new fighter. According to reports from Chinese circles, the plane, if satisfactory to the Nanking officials, will be the forerunner of a powerful fleet of not only pursuit planes, but also bombers, purchased in the United States.

Unheralded and unsung, Major Doolittle and his wife "slipped" into Shanghai aboard the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Japan. Just how long he will remain in Shanghai, is not known.

Brilliant Record.

Major Doolittle served with the U.S. Aviation Forces from 1917 until 1930 when he resigned his commission, being placed on the U. S. Reserve List. One of his most notable air feats was the winning of the Schneider Trophy Race in 1925 and the following year, he was awarded the Mackay Trophy. In 1930, he was awarded the coveted Harmon Trophy for having contributed more than any other aviator towards the advancement of aviation in the United States. The following years, competing in the U. S. National Air Meeting, he won the Bendix Trophy Race from Burbank, California, to Cleveland, Ohio. Another of his notable feats was his record-breaking U. S. coast-to-coast dash which he covered in 11 hours and 11 minutes.

World's Record.

Last year, on September 3, competing in the U. S. National Air Meeting at Cleveland, Ohio, Major Doolittle set a world's speed record for land planes, speeding 305.050 miles per hour over an official three kilometre course. In last year's national races, Major Doolittle used the Gee Bee racer constructed for Russell Boardman, who was unable to compete due to injuries. The Major's own plane cracked up near Wichita, Kansas, when the ship's retractable gear failed to function properly, but he escaped with a bad shaking up.

Major Doolittle is a Fellow of the Aeronautical Engineers of the Mass. Institute of Technology and is considered one of the world's best pilots. After resigning from the U.S. Aviation Forces, Major Doolittle went into business with James Halzlip, popular and wealthy St. Louis airman and in this connection, it is rather interesting to note that Halzlip wrested the coast-to-coast record from his business associate at last year's U.S. National Air Races, flying from Los Angeles to New York in 16 hours and 18 minutes. Major Doolittle holds the Distinguished Service Cross with leaves.

Interest Aroused.

The quiet arrival of Major Doolittle has aroused considerable conjecture amongst those who knew that he and his wife were in Shanghai, in view of the recent announcement by Reuters that the Italian air ace, Lieut. Colonel Mario Bernardi, had accepted an offer to command the Chinese Air Force. It is a coincidence that Major Bernardi has also won the Schneider Cup Trophy. The Nanking Government's determination to form a formidable and modern air force is seen not only in Lt. Col. Bernardi's acceptance to command the China Air Force, and Major Doolittle's presence in Shanghai, but also in the fact that another first-class American aviator, Lt. Halzlip, is en route from San Francisco, to serve as instructor with the Chinese Air Force, and that two or three other well-known American flyers will soon follow.

BANK BUILDING OPENED.

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The new premises of the National Commercial and Savings Bank, Ltd., situated at the corner of Des Voeux Road and Ice House Street, were formally opened by Mr. Choy Hing, the chairman of the board of directors of the bank, yesterday.

He was conducted to the door of the new building by the chief manager of the bank, Mr. Wong Kwok-shuen, and was presented with a gold key by Mr. Y. P. Ma, the managing director. He then formally declared the Bank open.

After the ceremony, the Chairman, directors, and guests assembled in the public space of the bank, and the Chairman addressed the gathering.

He said:—"The Bank owes its existence to Mr. Ma Ying-piu, who, with the valued co-operation of Mr. Wong Kwok-shuen, the present Chief Manager, and the Board of Directors, founded the Bank in 1921 with premises at No. 144 Des Voeux Road, Central.

"Due to the wise direction and untiring efforts of these gentlemen, especially Mr. Ma Ying-piu, the Bank's business expanded rapidly, so much so that more spacious premises had to be acquired to cope with our growing business.

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"For this imposing building which I am about to open, our thanks are due to Messrs. Palmer & Turner, the well-known architects, through whose reputation and influence special permission was obtained to erect our building to an unusual height.

"We also thank the well-known contractors, Messrs. Wing Yick & Co., for executing the plans so scrupulously, and for doing so in record time."

At the conclusion of the Chairman's speech the guests drank to the success of the bank, and adjourned to the mezzanine floor to inspect the safe deposit vaults.

Refreshments were served to the guests in the board room.

Among those present were the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, C.M.G., the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D., Dr. S. W. Tso, O.B.E., LL.D., Mr. Chan Lim-pak, and many of the managers of the local banks.

Over 400 guests assembled at the premises of the bank.

MONKEY WHO TREE- CRASHED.

Dogs And Apes Wage
Bitter Fight.

NEIGHBOURHOOD AROUSED.

Durban. Five dozen monkeys, roosting in the top of a tree in Congella Park, had a sudden "come down" to earth when the tree collapsed.

The collapse was caused by one monkey who insisted on climbing the tree when the dormitory was full.

The sleepers were hurled to the ground from 30 feet up. Fathers, mothers and children screamed by fright and for long afterwards sustained their wails.

The cries of their old enemies dragged every dog in the neighbourhood from his kennel and pan-demonium reigned while monkey and mongrel fought among the trees.

The yelps and the chattering disturbed the whole neighbourhood. Eventually the dogs tired of their tree-base vigil, and at dawn left their prey ensconced in the branches of some new leafy haven.—Reuter.

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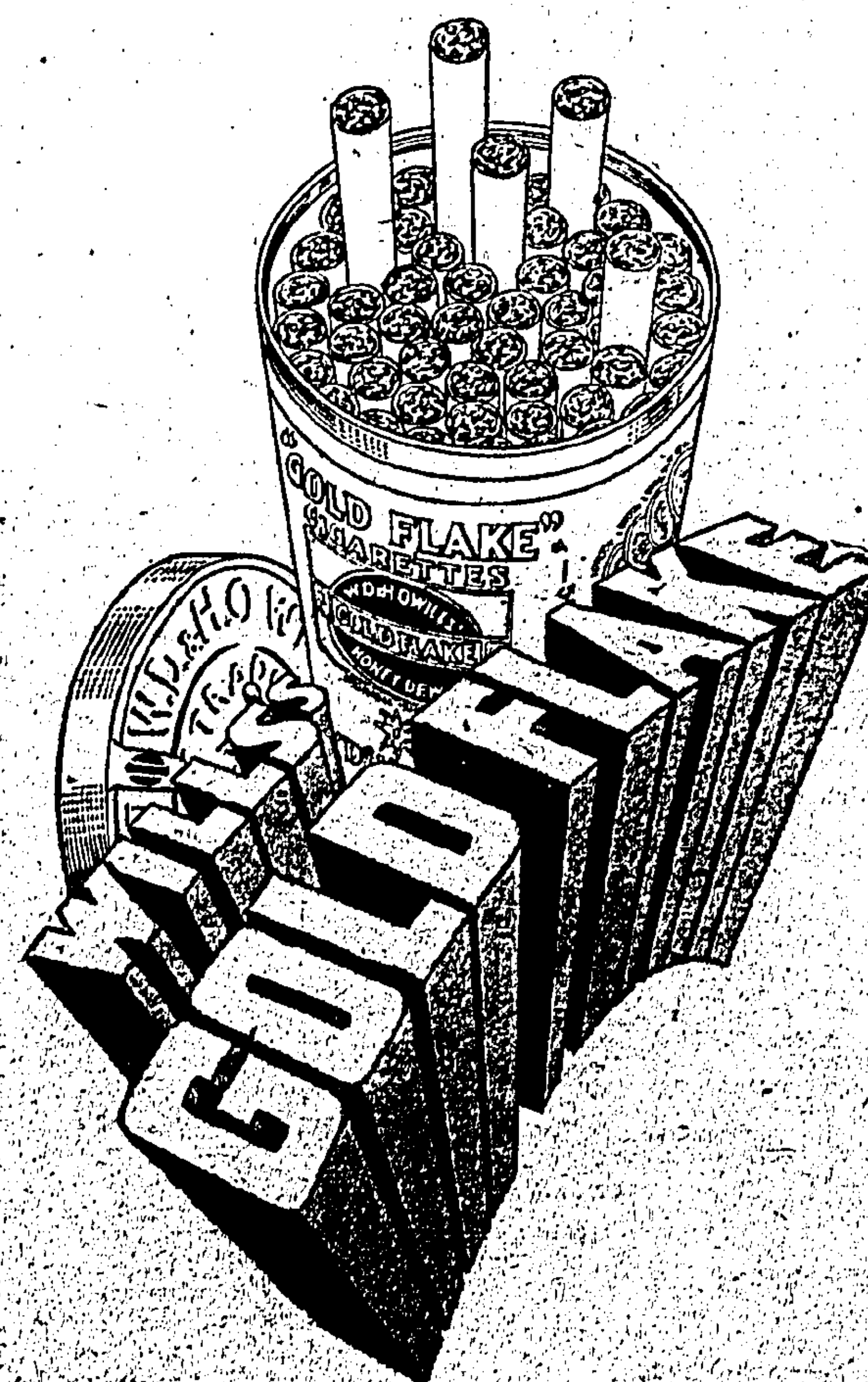
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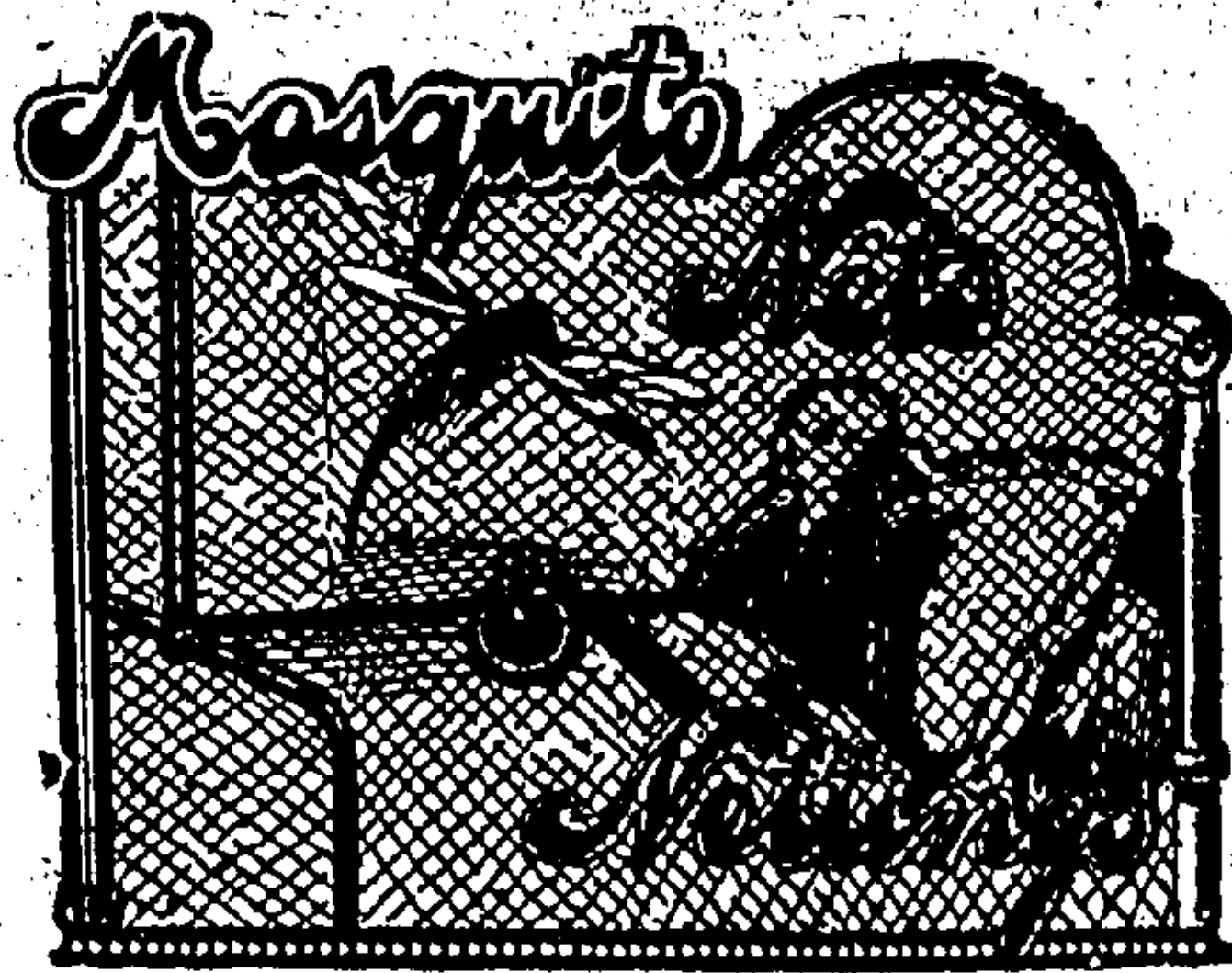
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The China Mail

Hong Kong, Wednesday, April 19, 1933.

British Railways.

The British Railways are making a bold bid to recapture the passenger traffic they have lost during recent years. Recently the four main-line companies announced a big scheme for extending the penny-a-mile third class fare to all return journeys over ten miles during the summer months. The new return tickets, which will be valid for one month, are to be available on any day by any train, at the same rate as the present week-end tickets between May 1 and September 30. The two Northern lines followed up this announcement by a further scheme for reducing return fares by certain night express trains between London and some of the principal towns in the Midlands and the North of England. Beginning on March 20, night express return tickets available for seventeen days, were issued at half the full rate, which is equivalent to a single fare, and therefore represents an average payment of less than the standard pre-war charge of a penny a mile. These new facilities, which will cheapen very substantially the cost of railway travelling, will certainly be welcomed by the general public. The travelling habit has spread enormously since the War among all classes of the population; and, if the Railways have not benefited thereby, this has been due very largely to the cheaper facilities provided by their road rivals, who long ago adopted the policy of the cheap return ticket as part of their general practice. The popularity of the long distance motor-coach seems to be based not so much on convenience as on cost, and discerning persons will probably agree that for long journeys the railway provides not only greater speed and greater safety, but also greater comfort. There is good reason, therefore, to suppose that a reduction in fares will divert back to the Railways at least some of the passenger traffic at present carried by the road. That would indeed be to the advantage not only of the Railway shareholders but also of the countryside. From the point of view of Railway revenue, it is difficult to forecast with any accuracy the effect of these striking reductions. There is, of course, the possibility that not earnings may suffer a little; but the evidence seems rather to point in the opposite direction, and the total risk is really quite minute, since only a small proportion of the Companies' gross receipts will be involved. There seems to be little doubt, therefore, that the reduced return fare, which has been adopted in more than one Continental country, is right in principle; nor is there any reason why, after a trial period, it should not be extended to winter travelling, if it proves successful in attracting additional

traffic. So large a proportion of Railway expenditure is fixed—that is to say, it does not vary with the volume of traffic—that quite a moderate increase in the number of passengers carried, even though they are carried at reduced fares, may yield an equal or even a greater net revenue. But even if the Railway Companies reap, as they are entitled to do, the reward of their enterprise in extending the facilities for cheaper travel, it is hardly to be expected that these holiday reductions will make any very great difference to their financial position. They are none the less to be welcomed as a sign that the Railways, difficult as their circumstances have been in the past few years, are doing all that lies in their power to serve the public.

Greek Politics.

Thanks to the common sense and to the democratic spirit of the great majority of the Greek people, the political crisis at Athens was solved by constitutional means. It began, and indeed came to a head, last month, when it became known that the General Election had gone against the Republican National Union which M. Venizelos leads and in favour of the platonically monarchist Popular Party. Although M. Tsaldaris, the Popular leader, had unreservedly recognised the Republic six months ago, the news alarmed officers, who professed to fear for the Republic, and were certainly afraid of drastic cuts in military and naval expenditure. They found a leader in General Nicholas Plastiras, who had led the revolution which drove King Constantine from Greece after the Smyrna disaster. Backed by part of the garrison of Athens, he proclaimed a Dictatorship on the pretext that the result of the election gave no hope of a stable Government, and that the Parliamentary regime had led to a succession of powerless Administrations and had encouraged the growth of Communism. M. Venizelos, though still Prime Minister, could only expostulate, while General Plastiras put M. Tsaldaris under arrest in his house, proclaimed martial law, imposed a censorship, and in a word followed dictatorial routine. But the Athenian people, who had mostly voted for the Opposition, began to gather and protest until the Dictator's armoured cars cleared the streets with machine-gun fire and killed and wounded over a score of his ungrateful fellow-citizens. It was a bad beginning for the would-be saviour of society. Although the people of the new provinces were Venizelists and Republicans, they showed no sympathy with his attempt to reverse the result of the election. What was more, the garrison of Thessaly and Macedonia prepared to oppose his usurpation. In the circumstances all that General Plastiras could do was to wait and wonder what would happen next. He had not to wait long. While he was

HERE, THERE and EVERYWHERE

Mr. Maxton's "Hold-up".

Just as the late Sir Edmund Turtton, who was an M.F.H., used to employ hunting phraseology, and the late Dr. Macnamara, after years at the Admiralty, interlarded his speeches with nautical similes, Mr. Maxton is now reacting politically to his hobbies.

In a recent week-end speech he said he was wondering how long it would be before he and his friends could enter the House and give the order to "stick them up and get out."

Mr. Maxton's musical role as the Pirate King is well known. He is also an omnivorous reader, on train journeys, of Wild West two-gun-men thrillers.

Your Daily Smile.

INHERITED

MISTRESS: The last maid I had was too fond of policemen, Mary. I shall expect you to avoid them.

NEW MAID: Don't worry about that, ma'am. I ate the sight of 'em. My father's a burglar.

BOTH BRIGHT

"Your essay is excellent, Jones, but it is exactly the same as Philip's. What shall I conclude from that?"

"That his is excellent too, teacher."

BETTER LATE

LATE ARRIVAL AT CONCERT: Say, what's this stuff we're getting?

FRIEND: Hush, this is Beethoven's Ninth Symphony.

"Well, if the other eight were like this, thank goodness, I was late."

Alternately.

When a man says he's scared of nothing it may either mean he's terribly brave or a bachelor.

Facts You Did Not Know.

A Canadian scientist has demonstrated that light rather than temperature is one of the principal reasons for migration of wild birds.

Tractor drawn, a machine has been developed by a telephone company to dig trenches in the ground, lay cable and cover it with earth.

A government monopoly has been established in Egypt to control production, importation, exportation, distribution and prices of sugar.

A figure of a horse that trots when a coin is dropped in a slot in its base to start an electric motor has been invented for children.

rampaging about Athens, the President of the Republic was in consultation with M. Venizelos, M. Tsaldaris, and General Othonaios, the senior General of the Greek Army. They formed a Cabinet of major-generals, rear-admirals, and Civil servants, with General Othonaios as Prime Minister. And the new Government immediately descended upon the War Office. The Dictator surrendered his authority into their hands and prudently disappeared after a reign of fourteen hours. His decrees were cancelled and his chief associates were arrested; so effectively indeed did the provisional Government set to work that in two days their chief was able to place his resignation in the hands of President Zaimis, who requested M. Tsaldaris to form a Cabinet. Within four days he had formed it. His Ministry includes several well-known Royalist names, but his selection of that hard-bitten soldier, General Condylis, as his Minister of War is a guarantee that the Republic has nothing to fear from his success. With his allies of the Republican Opposition he has a majority of twenty-four seats in the new Chamber, and this may suffice him for some months. No change in foreign policy is to be expected; the financial and economic embarrassments of Greece will engage the Cabinet's chief attention, and it is significant that the Foreign Minister, M. Maximos, an ex-Governor of the National Bank, will deal with the foreign debt and with the organisation of a system of barter. But come whatever his future difficulties, M. Tsaldaris should be heartened to face them boldly by the clear proof that his countrymen prefer normal

constitutional progress to experiments in stratocracy.

And so, as surely as you leave to people leading miserable lives no means of escape except proved adultery, human nature will prove stronger than any law, and collusive divorces will continue.

The judges do their best to stop it; it is their duty to do so. The judges do not make the law; they administer it. If the scandal of collusion is to be stopped (presuming it is a scandal), it is from Parliament that the remedy must come.

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GLARING EVILS OF DIVORCE LAWS MANY SUBTERFUGES TO WIN RELEASE

WORLD'S MOST ILLOGICAL DECREE

(By Sir Ellis Hume-Williams, K.C.)

London.

Year by year the lists of divorce cases for trial published at the beginning of each legal term seem to grow in length and prove how very nearly the Law of Divorce touches the lives of the people.

The law has grown up very gradually, inherited from the practice of the old Ecclesiastical Courts, which with reluctance were sometimes persuaded to grant a separation "a mensa et thoro" from "bed and board," but exercised little further power.

And now the law of divorce, after much tinkering and many amendments, is probably harder and more illogical in this country than in any other country in the world.

When Bad Bargains Are Made.

Marriage can be dissolved for one cause, and one cause only—the adultery of one of the spouses.

Is it to be wondered at that, with only one door of escape, those who are miserable in their married life should be prepared to run any risk and to stoop to subterfuges which in ordinary life they would scorn, so as to get through it?

To be honest about it, the law of divorce in this country is wholly illogical. Either we should say, as the Roman Catholics do, once married always married—marriage is a Sacrament, and if you have made a bad bargain you must nevertheless stick to it—or we should say that it is not in the interest of the community that people who have honestly tried to make marriage the successful companionship which it ought to be and have miserably failed—so much so that they are living separate and independent lives—should continue to be bound together.

In France, where the grounds of divorce are much wider than here, no case is allowed to proceed until, as a preliminary, the judge has interviewed both parties and has satisfied himself that a reconciliation is not possible.

"Manufactured" Evidence.

And so, alone I believe in Europe, we ordain that, however miserable the spouses may be in their life, there is no chance of escape unless one or the other is proved guilty of adultery.

Is it to be wondered at if, as one of the judges sitting in the Divorce Court pointed out recently, evidence is sometimes manufactured and the Court deceived in cases where there is no other means of escape from the misery of an unhappy marriage?

Even in Presbyterian Scotland desertion by one party of the other for a specified period is ground for divorce, and not merely, as here, for a judicial separation.

In England cruelty, however brutal and sustained, even if it ruins the health and kills the happiness of the sufferer, is not ground for divorce. Neither is it if one of the parties becomes hopelessly insane or develops into a raving drunkard or a besotted drug maniac.

It is adultery, and adultery alone, which enables the marriage to be dissolved, however much and how ever flagrant either party may have disregarded every honourable obligation which marriage entails.

Unless one party can prove the other to have been unfaithful, man and wife they must remain, although they may be living at opposite ends of the globe.

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A Tryst At The Hotel.

So he procured a lady (he informed me afterwards that she announced herself as being, as usual, the daughter of a clergyman and the widow of an officer), who consented to spend the night with him at an hotel.

The hotel having been chosen and the time of meeting arranged, my friend arrived punctually at the tryst, and the lady duly turned up. She was quite pleasant, if a little prim, but looked, he thought, not in the best health.

After some conversation mainly on political and ecclesiastical topics, they adjourned for dinner, though of this she ate practically nothing. And she began to look very ill indeed.

After a short and rather silent interval in the lounge of the hotel, the lady mounted apparently with some difficulty, to the bedroom, the joint occupation of which was to provide the necessary evidence of a night of sin.

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The "Gentlemanly Thing."

He offered to send in a nurse, but my friend, seeing that the evidence of a nurse might be fatal to the inferences which he intended the Court to draw, refused, and said, quite truthfully as it happened, that he was quite accustomed to deal with such cases in his family.

So the doctor gave the lady an injection of morphia and left, with the instructions that a hot-water bottle, freshly filled, was to be placed on her stomach every hour during the night. This my friend faithfully did, filling the bottle every hour from the bath-room and placing it on the patient until the dawn.

The lady dozed a little when daylight broke, and the man sat and watched in an armchair, where the waiter found him when he brought some tea in the morning. Fortunately the lady was able to return home with the help of some further soothing medicine. My friend duly paid her and the hotel bill, and was in due course properly divorced!

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5 SHOTS FIRED AT H. K. EDITOR

Mr. Lo Kwai-keung
Slightly Injured.

ASSAILANT CAUGHT AFTER LONG CHASE

Five shots were fired at Mr. Lo Kwai-keung, proprietor and Editor of the Tin Nam Daily News, a local vernacular newspaper shortly after 8 p.m. yesterday. Only one of the shots struck him, causing a slight shoulder wound.

The assailant, who gave his name as Chan Hee, is 22 years of age, declared that he was a chicken carrier of Stall No. 12, Western Market.

Mr. Lo was walking along Lyndhurst Terrace when he felt something strike him on the shoulder. He turned round and as he did so he saw a man standing about six feet away holding a revolver.

He ran into a nearby shop, and hid in a corner, covering himself with a blanket. His assailant followed him into the shop and emptied the revolver at him. Only the erratic aim of Chan Hee saved Mr. Lo's life.

The assailant after he had fired, threw his revolver away and ran off through the Chinese district, being chased, and finally caught by Police constable C300 and a civilian Mr. Lewis Woo, who was formerly a scout in the 1st Hong Kong (St. Joseph's) Troop.

SPIRITED PLEAS
BY COUNSELLondon Report Of
Defence Speeches."WRECKING NOT A NEW
CRIME"

London, To-day.

Spirited speeches for the defence of the Britishers were made yesterday morning by their counsel, with the exception of Gregory's counsel, who pointed out that there was no case against his client.

M. Braude, Thornton's counsel, cast doubt on the evidence of the other accused against Thornton, pointing out that "Wrecking is not a new crime in Russia." It was unnecessary therefore, he said, to assume that the Russians guilty of wrecking, were under Thornton's control.

Insofar as Thornton's own admissions were concerned, Gregory was as much a culpated authority himself and yet the prosecution was not proceeding with the charges against him.

Counsel then discredited Mile. Kutuzova's evidence and suggested the unlikelihood of Monkhouse and Thornton informing her that they were "planning wrecking."

He alluded to the Prosecutor's reference to English law on espionage, pointing out that it was directed against the collection of information in military areas, and said that "What is considered in England as economic information, here, in the Soviet Union, is covered by a law regarding military espionage."

M. Braude concluded by stating that outside the Soviet Union "so-called commissions" were taken as a matter of course and that bribes given by Thornton were not inducements to wrecking activities. He appealed that these facts could be considered in Thornton's favour.

Nordwall's Defence.

Nordwall's counsel, M. Dalmatovsky, pointed out that the adverse description by the prosecutor of the chief witnesses against his client discredited their evidence. That evidence was further suspect since it conflicted in regard to the sums that they said they had received as a bribe.

He explained the transaction in which Nordwall was alleged to have given a fur coat as a bribe, as one which Nordwall had considered of no importance and had therefore formed the fact which accounted for any contradictions in his statement referring to it.

He further pointed out that there was no evidence that the information regarding the Red army given by Nordwall, was in any way, incriminating, and concluded by recommending his acquittal.

Gregory's counsel then rose and referred to the fact that the charge against his client had been dropped.

Cushny's Five-Year-Old Loan.

The speech by Cushny's counsel, M. Lidoff, followed. He pointed out that there were "No papers connected with the trial," and that the accusations against Cushny were based on Kelnov's testimony as to the small loans given by Cushny five years before.

He then turned to MacDonald's and Oleinik's evidence, pointing out that MacDonald had only said he could "Presume" that Cushny was collecting information and that Oleinik did not claim to know anything of Cushny's activities, although he had been with Cushny, until he had heard of them from Thornton.

Counsel then showed that the fact of Cushny's large acquaintance amongst the Russians was no evidence that he was collecting information. There was, in particular, no evidence of his collecting military information and in Thornton's statement he was mentioned as supplying political and economic information solely. It was, however, only natural that he should be as interested in the Red army as in every other aspect of the Soviet Union.

Turning to fact that Cushny had refused to answer certain questions during his examination, counsel urged that this did not imply guilt and that the fact that he could not explain the defects and breakdowns of machinery would not show that he was responsible for wrecking.

In conclusion he asked the Court not to condemn Cushny in any particular in which there was an element of doubt.

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THE LEAGUE
MUST NOT
"RUN AWAY"Lord Lytton On Sino-
Japan Dispute.

MR. CHURCHILL'S ADVICE.

London.

Lord Lytton referred to the dispute between China and Japan in a speech at Reading. "I read," he said, "that Mr. Churchill advised the League to keep out of it. He said in effect that so great was his admiration for the League, so sincere was his respect for it, so anxious was he that it should not fail that he did not want to see the League dragged into this question of China and Japan."

"That is a rather novel point of view from a friend of the League. I am afraid that Mr. Churchill must be getting old. I have known him all my life, and have never known him reluctant himself to face difficulties or run risks or to undertake difficult tasks. He has faced them in every party in the State (laughter)."

"I have never known him advise his friends to run away from difficulties, and yet out of his friendship for the League he says 'keep out of it.'"

"It is not by running away from difficulties but by facing them in accordance with the law of the Covenant that we can find a solution to the problem. We must stand by the League in any solution it puts forward."—Reuter.

PEAK THEFTS

Servant Gaoled For
Six Weeks.INTERPORT CRICKETER
A VICTIM

Ing Hin, an unemployed Chinese servant, was this morning sentenced to six weeks imprisonment with hard labour for each of two thefts: one of a Mah Jong set from Mrs. Strahan, the wife of Dr. Seguin Strahan, and the other, of a cigarette case and lighter from Mr. A. C. Beck, of the A. P. C.

The defendant was previously employed by Mr. Beck, the interport cricketer, who occupied Mrs. Strahan's house during her absence from the Colony.

News In Brief

Mr. E. R. Bayless arrived in Hong Kong by the s.s. President Coolidge on Monday.

Mr. W. R. McBain arrived in the Colony by the s.s. President Coolidge, on Monday.

Quarantine restrictions have been imposed by Chefoo against arrivals from Hong Kong on account of small-pox.

Members of the Peak Club are reminded that the final dance of the present season will take place on Friday, April 21, at 9.30 p.m.

Chan Sang-fook, a hawker, was admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital, yesterday, suffering from injuries to his face, caused by his being assaulted by another hawker, who has since been arrested.

Mr. Sato, a Japanese, residing in Hennessy Road, Wanchai, was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital, yesterday, suffering from a fractured thigh, caused by a fall from a height of seven feet.

Chan Yuk, 47, a married woman, was yesterday admitted to the Government Civil Hospital, suffering from injuries to her left arm, sustained when she was knocked down during a stampede of hawkers, which occurred on the approach of the Police.

MONKHOUSE'S ADMISSION
INVOLVED BRIBE ONLY.

M. Komodoft, counsel for Monkhouse, opened his speech by pointing out that all foreigners in Russia were interested in the development of the country and that this was no evidence of espionage.

Monkhouse, he continued, had denied participation in espionage or machinery wrecking. His admission involved, he said, only British Wireless Service.

BESA AGAIN IN
COURTRemanded On Robbery
Charge.ACCUSED PROTESTS AGAINST
DETENTION

Joseph Evangelist Besa, who was successful in his appeal against a sentence of six months imprisonment recently at the Supreme Court, again appeared at the Central Magistracy, this morning, charged with robbery in the Philippines.

It is understood that extradition proceedings will be instituted by the Government of that country, and in the meanwhile the Police Magistrate, Mr. Schofield, remanded his case for one week, during which period he will be in Police custody.

Besa complained that he had now been in Victoria Gaol for 90 days.

He said: It is not legal to arrest a man on suspicion. If it were, then the Governor could be arrested. As things are, there is nothing to prevent the Police from detaining me for six months, or six years.

He stated that if the American Government wanted him, they should apply for him through their Consul.

Besa desired leave to apply for Habeas Corpus, but Mr. Schofield advised him to see a lawyer.

Besa: I have not the money to engage a lawyer. Can't you allow me to apply myself.

Mr. Schofield: You had better see the Police about that.

His Worship then formally remanded the case for one week.

LOCAL DOLLAR
DECLINES.Pound Rises In
New York.

The local dollar declined from 1/3 1/2, yesterday's quotation, to 1/3 1/4, this morning.

Silver prices were quoted this morning at 17 15/16 spot, and 18, forward, a drop of 1/16.

Cross rate prices were this morning, £-G\$3.47 1/2, and £-G\$3.51 1/2, for the London on New York, and New York on London, rates respectively.

The London on New York rate yesterday was £-G\$3.46 1/2.

CLUB FOR UNKNOWN
HUSBANDS.American Idea Spreads
To Britain.

SOME "FAMOUS WIVES"

London. Mr. George Palmer Putnam, the American publisher, got tired of being referred to as the husband of Amelia Earhart—she who flew the Atlantic alone. So he founded the Unknown Husbands of Famous Women Club and sought consolation in the company of other eclipsed men. Now the movement has swung to England and several "unknown husbands" have turned up.

It now becomes known that Jose Collins, of musical comedy fame, has been married for 12 years to Lord Robert Innes-Ker.

And Sheila Kaye-Smith, the famous novelist, is the wife of the Rev. Mr. Fry, for whom she keeps a cosy Sussex home.

Dame Laura Knight, England's foremost painter—who travelled in circuses with a clown and his wife to get material for her canvases—is the wife of Mr. Harold Knight, a portrait painter, whom she married in 1908.

The "unknown husband" of Ethel M. Dell, the best selling novelist who is shy of publicity, is Lieut.-Col. Gerald Savage—and has been ever since 1922.—Reuter.

SUBMARINES FOR
ARGENTINA.Three Vessels Leave
Italian Yards.

Milan. Three submarines, which have been built for Argentina in the Italian shipping yard of Taranto, have left for Buenos Aires. They are each of 850 tons, and are fitted with all the latest improvements.

Before leaving, the Argentinian crews placed a wreath on the tomb of the "Unknown Warrior," and were given an official reception by the naval authorities of Taranto.—Reuter.

To-Day's Short Story.

SENKA'S
MASTERPIECEBy S.
Andrew Wood.

THERE was only one casualty, and that not serious, when the Cathedral of the Redeemer was blown up to make way for the Temple of Labour.

How old Senka Bucharov, an ex-bourgeois who made pasteboard figures and modelled masks for the Moscow Ballet, found himself in the marble gallery under which numerous sticks of gellignite had been rammed he was hard put to it to say himself. Red guards and police ringed the doomed cathedral for miles round. True, he had found a dusty bottle under the rags and paper which was his bed in the cellar of an old mansion, and he was enjoying the first skiffle of brandy for ten years. And brandy, he remembered, always made him precious cunning.

There he was, anyway, sitting entranced in his lousy fur coat before a great carved face in the wall. An exquisitely noble and gentle face that hurt with its beauty and strength. It had been carved by a master who had left his soul in it. It lived, and pitted the world. Senka closed his eyes and moved his sensitive fingers over its sweet contours, slowly, lingeringly.

"Christ," he said, "there is no doubt about that. He is a back number. But if I could only make a mask like that I would curse Vladimir Ilyich himself, from the Red Square, if necessary."

Possibly the tears in his eyes were partly brandy, yet. It was for the dead artist he was weeping, for he was no more superstitious than any of the young ones. He continued to stroke the carved face, so radiantly visible in the stark daylight—for most of the Cathedral had already been destroyed in small piece-meal.

The gellignite went off just then. "So," said the G.P.U. policeman who found Senka in the debris half an hour later, with his fur coat and the larger part of his trousers gone, "it was attempted sabotage and theft? You were too late. Long ago the State took away the gold and the jewels, Comrade Airy-breaches."

The policeman spoke satirically, for there was a gaping gash across Senka's forehead and he had been sick enough for the G.P.U. man to smell the brandy.

THE HELENA MAY
INSTITUTE.

New Premises Opened.

IMPROVED LIBRARY FACILITIES

"The Helena May Institute was very much the centre of things so far as the arts and music are concerned. Lady May and the benefactors of the Helena May Institute must find pleasure in the growth of the Institute and its expansion to Kowloon," said Mr. E. Cock, at the opening of the new premises of the Helena May Institute at 168, Boudry Street Kowloon yesterday.

Mrs. J. R. Wood, president of the Institute, opened the new premises in place of Lady Peel, who is still confined indoors, from the effects of her illness.

In this new building members have at their disposal about 15 rooms, all comfortably furnished. The library has been enlarged and now contains many books not hitherto available.

ROTARY CLUB
DINNER.Function Arranged For
Friday.

Mr. M. F. Key, addressing local Rotarians at theiriffin, held at the Gloucester Building yesterday, spoke on "free-lance journalism, or living by one's wits."

Among the guests were Messrs. J. E. Smith, of Amoy, D. Fraser and B. A. Prohla.

An informal dinner will be held at the Gloucester Building on Friday evening.

NAVAL COMMANDER'S DEATH

Commander Charles Lawrence Outforth, R.N.Z., died yesterday following an operation at the Johore Bahru Hospital, Johore. He was well known in Hong Kong as the Captain of the Royal Fleet Auxiliary Petrel.

"That Christ," asked Senka feebly. "Is it destroyed?" "The policeman stared. "Long ago in Russia," he answered, and laughed. He was a young policeman, so Senka, without wasting time, joined in his laughter.

That was in the days when the young ones were growing very arrogant. They owned the world. An old man had to dig his claws deep to hold on to life. In the old mansion where Senka lived in the cellar the steely-haired girls and bullet-headed boys who worked for the Plan had a house komin-tern. On bitter winter nights Senka was allowed in. He sat by the stove and smiled sycophantically while he fashioned little paper-mache figures—infamous capitalists, silk-hatted and pot-bellied, baboon-like priests, and many others which earned shouts of ribald laughter and were eagerly pocketed by the komosomols and komosomols. A slice of black bread and dripping was the price, though he did not always get it. "Some day," said Senka, when

TO-MORROW'S STORY.

To-morrow's story will be "The Lord Marquis of Carabas," by Charles Perault.

the gash in his forehead was healing, "I shall make a masterpiece. Stalin himself shall have it for his desk."

"Some day," taunted Krakorin, the Shockbrigadier, screwing up his eyes in his golden-skinned young face, "they will find that you are a left-over. A dirty old bourgeois who has missed the weeding-out. Then your belly will begin to make empty noises: I believe that, actually, you are as superstitious as hell, Comrade Konk."

"Certainly," fawned Senka, grinning and touching his nose, which was famous for its size. "I was making obeisance in the Cathedral of the Redeemer when the explosive blew my trousers off. It has made me superstitious for the rest of my life. Will you take this as a souvenir, Comrade Krakorin?"

He dipped into his bag of paints and glue and cardboard and took out a little figure. At sight of it, the young ones crowded round, roaring with laughter. It was easily the best so far. It was Senka himself, his slightly bowed legs clad in tiny trousers from which the seat was missing. Krakorin snatched it, but frowned ill-temperately.

"This is a fraud. No payment for this, bourgeois. Why, it has no head! Was your head blown off too, Comrade Konk?"

"The head went wrong," said Senka, grinning fixedly, with his large pink nose a contrast to his pale face. "The knife slipped. I had to take off the head that resulted. See, I have made another, Konk and all. Look, I will glue it on for you."

There was a new ballet at the Moscow theatre, called, simply, "Nicholas II. and Henry Ford and their Manifestations in the Liquidation of Capital by Revolution." and Senka sweated busily. He made fat masks of Moses and Chamberlain, of Rasputin and Rockefeller, of Jim Thomas and Genghis Khan. Together, he and a scene-painter, named Prockl, designed and built for the stage a giant Orthodox priest with Senka's own nose magnified to scale, and a vermilion beard in which nearly naked ballet-girls swung. The proletariat in the auditorium came to their feet at it. It was almost his masterpiece.

One night Senka stood in the wings to watch the ballet. He felt very tired and the gash in his forehead ached. Young Krakorin had stolen his food ticket for a joke. But it was as good as hot soup to watch little Comrade Lisa—she who danced under the terrifying mask of Rasputin, the Starlet, which Senka had made. That high-boned leering face and the sweet, slim, reassuring legs below it.

When it was over Lisaveta bounded from the stage almost into his arms, with Rasputin swinging by the hair in her hand. Little Lisa was kind and friendly, for one so young. But all the same Senka did not forget the greasy and ingratiating smile he kept in the new generation. One could take no risks.

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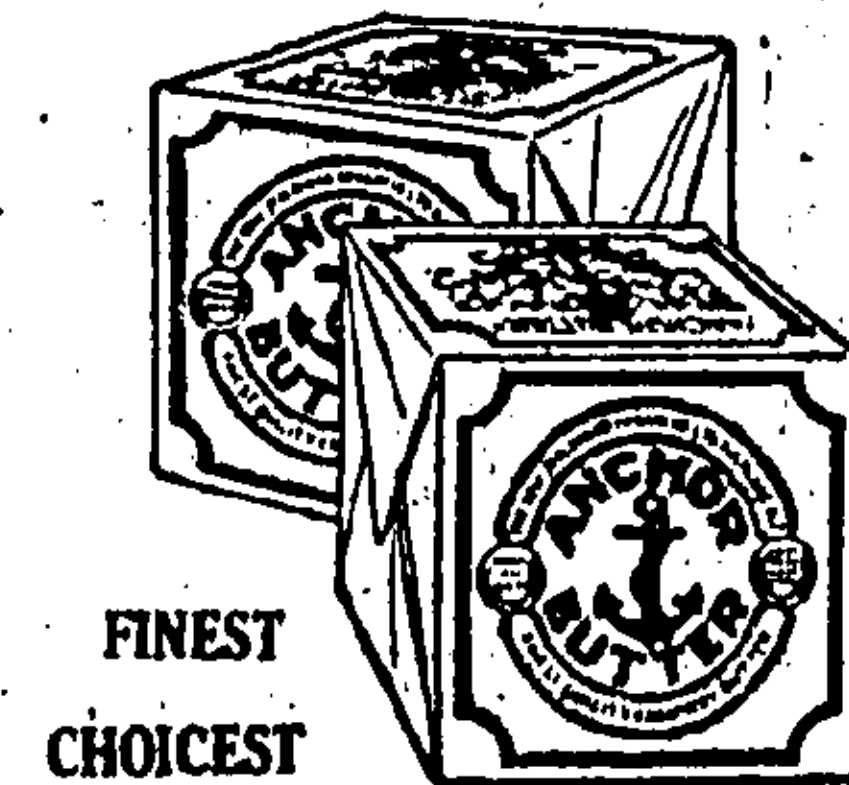
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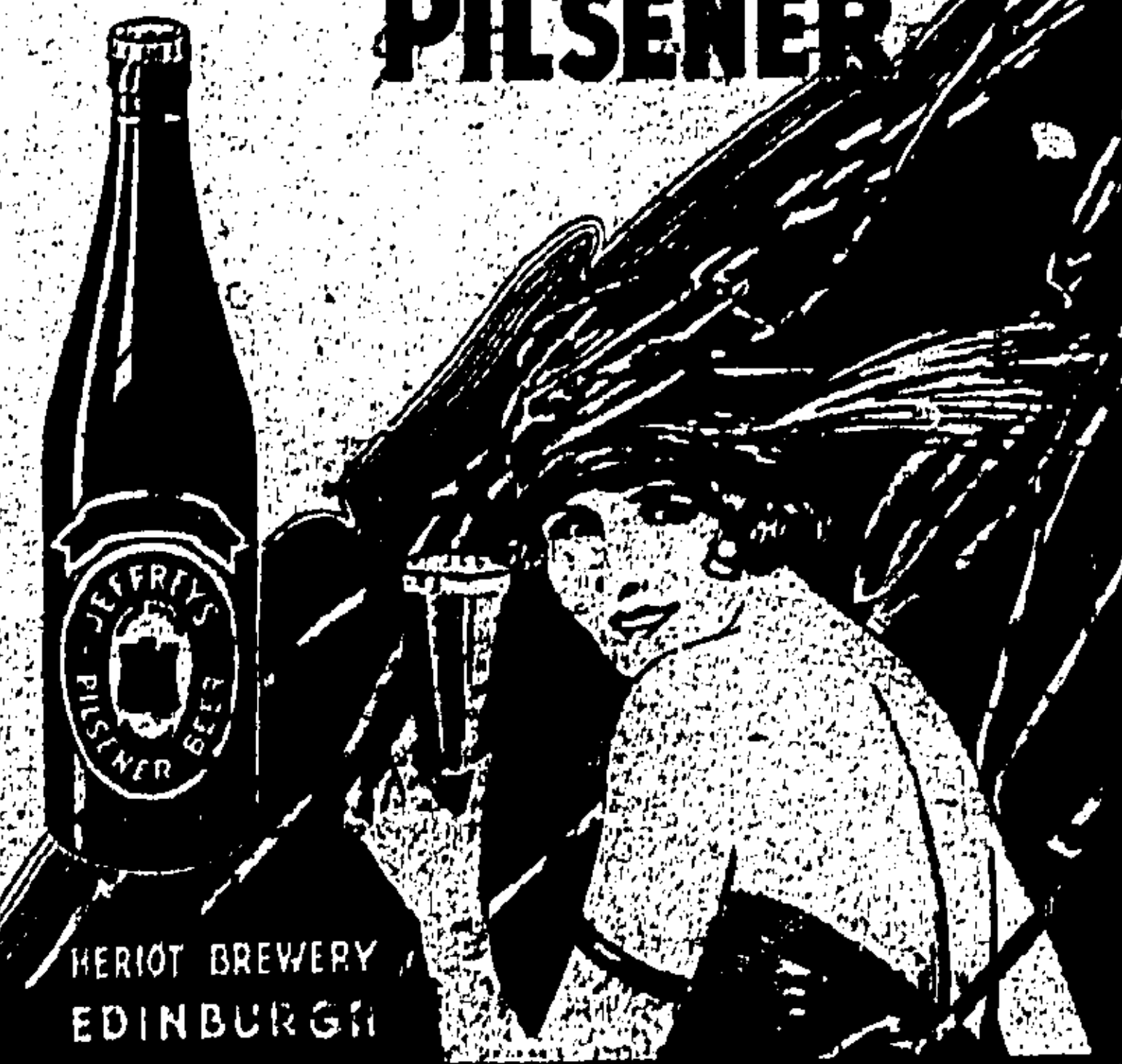
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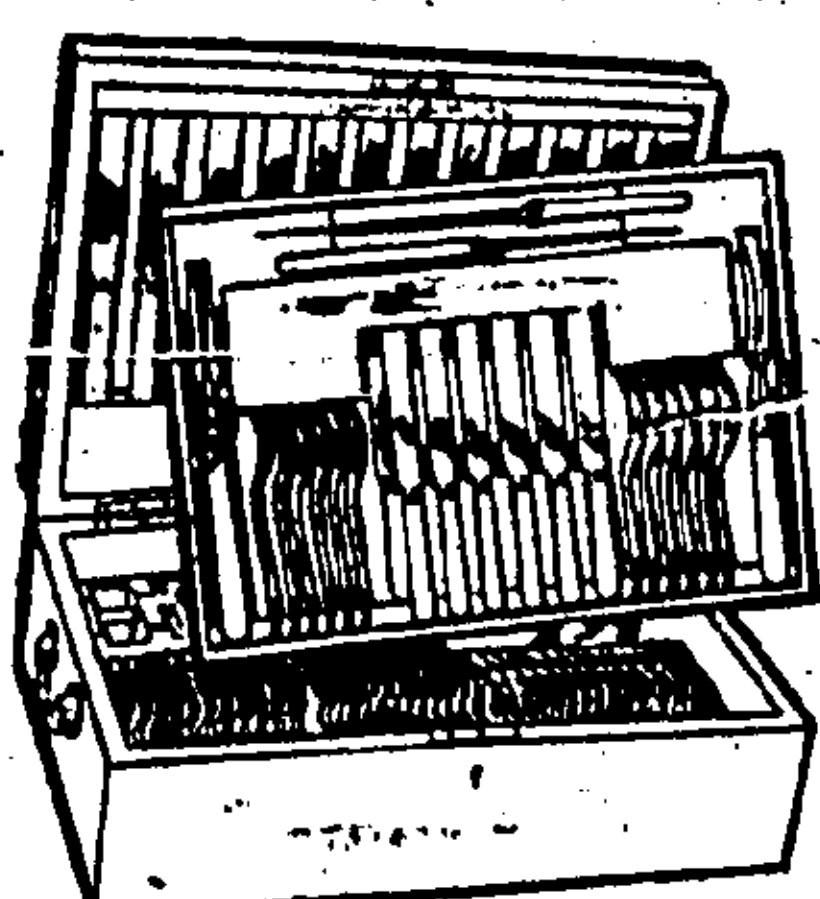
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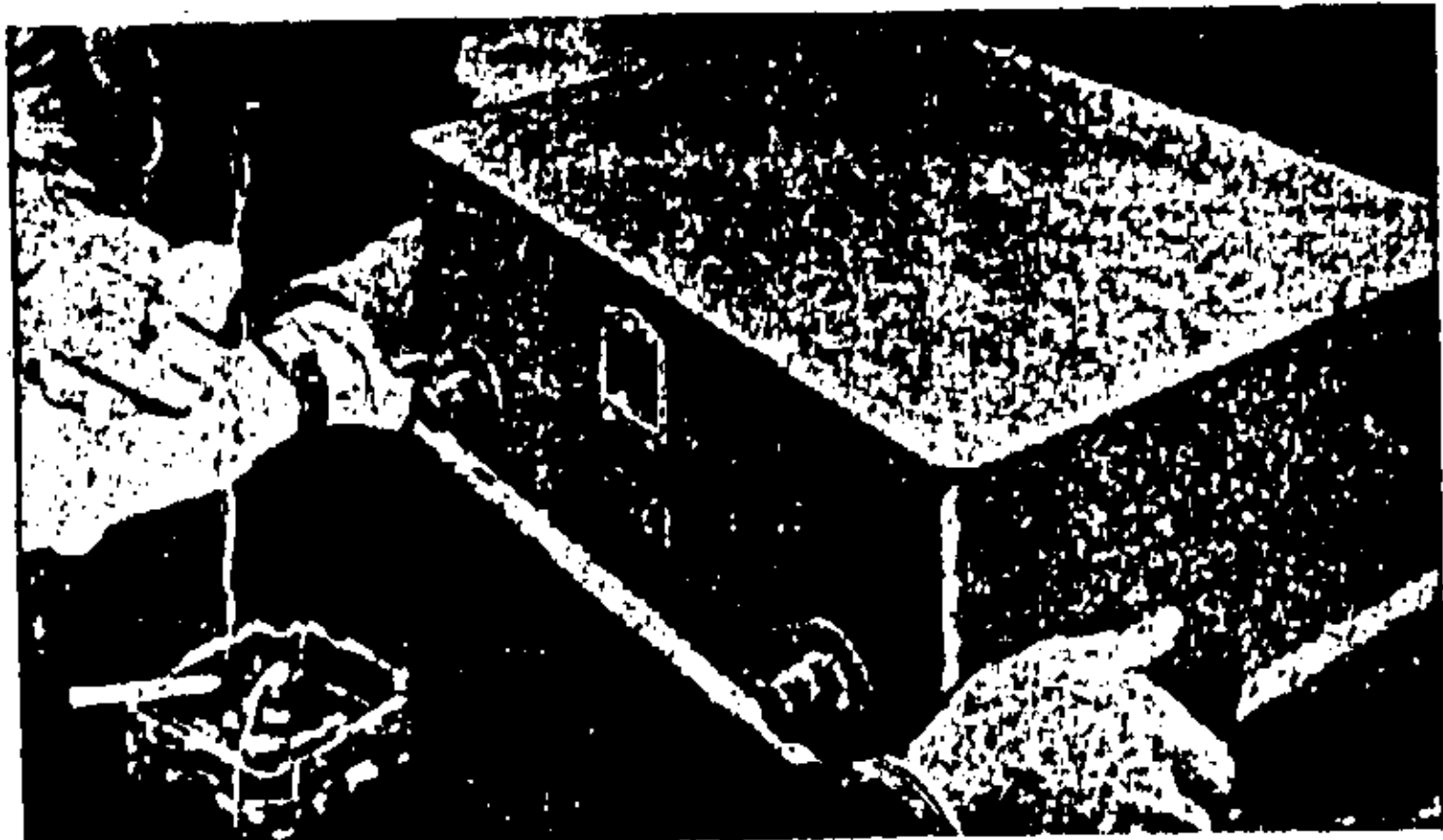
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CAMPBELL'S BREATHING WRONG

(By Crawl.)

THE first swimming gala and dance to open the Y.M.C.A. swimming season will take place on Saturday, May 12.

At the first monthly meeting of the Y.M.C.A. Swimming Committee, held in the Big Hall on Wednesday, April 12, it was proposed that the water polo and swimming activities be in full swing by the middle of May in order that the "Y's" two water polo teams would be ready for the Hong Kong International Amateur Swimming Association League. The first practice game will be staged to-morrow.

As I said in my last article, George Angus, one of the Y's best goal-keepers, will be in charge of the "B" goal, while two sturdy backs in R. Maynard and W. Kerr will be in support.

Lange, who has already demonstrated his water polo abilities, will be playing at centre half for the "B", a new position to him, but one which he can reliably fill. Sutherland and A. Donn fill the two other forward positions in the "B" team.

In order to obviate the discomfort and number of fouls caused by players standing in the shallow end of the bath, all outlets in the overflow round the sides of the bath will be blocked, allowing for at least another foot of water.

This change will be particularly welcomed by those players who have had the misfortune to scrape their knees on the bottom while navigating for a turn.

Good Referee Essential. It is hoped that the Selectors will provide a very good referee this season in order to improve the standard of the game.

Although this point was strongly stressed in my swimming notes last year, little notice was taken, with disastrous results. Members of the "Y" will not easily forget a game in which one of their players was admitted to hospital suffering from a badly damaged eye and another player with a split eyeball.

A recent note in one of the leading English papers referred to the roughness which had been creeping into the game, and the writer pointed out that the sooner it was stopped the better and more popular the game would become—very sound advice.

One of the worst traits in water polo was noticeable last year—that of taking advantage of a poor referee.

Last year I queried the capabilities of a certain referee, but was met with the retort, "Oh, he's an interloper and one of our best water polo players." It is one thing to play the game, and another to referee!

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Home Football
Tables To Date

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FIRST DIVISION.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Arsenal	39	24	8	7	55
Aston Villa	38	21	10	7	49
Newcastle	39	21	13	5	47
West Bromwich	37	19	11	7	45
Derby	39	14	11	14	42
Leeds	38	15	10	13	43
Huddersfield	39	17	13	9	43
Portsmouth	39	17	16	6	40
Sunderland	39	15	15	9	39
Everton	39	15	16	8	38
Sheffield U.	37	14	14	9	37
Birmingham	38	14	15	9	37
Blackburn	38	13	15	10	36
Manchester C.	39	15	19	5	35
Liverpool	39	12	16	11	35
Middlesbrough	39	12	19	8	32
Chelsea	39	13	20	6	32
Bolton	39	11	20	8	30
Wolves	39	11	19	8	30
Blackpool	39	13	22	4	30
Leicester	38	8	18	13	29

SECOND DIVISION.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Stoke	39	23	10	6	52
Tottenham	38	19	6	13	51
Walsham	39	20	10	9	49
Bury	39	19	11	9	47
Notts E.	38	15	9	14	44
Manchester U.	39	15	12	12	42
Notts C.	39	15	14	10	40
Millwall	38	15	14	9	39
Southampton	39	17	17	5	39
Plymouth	39	15	16	8	38
Bradford	40	15	17	8	38
Bradford C.	38	13	13	12	38
Creighton	39	14	15	10	37
Swansea	37	15	15	7	37
Grimby	39	12	15	12	36
Port Vale	38	13	15	10	36
Lincoln	39	11	15	13	35
Oldham	39	13	19	7	33
Burnley	38	10	16	12	32
West Ham	38	11	18	9	31
Cheshamfield	39	10	20	9	29
Charlton	37	10	20	7	27

THIRD DIVISION (South)

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Brentford	37	24	6	7	55
Exeter	38	22	7	9	53
Norwich	38	20	7	12	52
Reading	37	19	8	11	47
Coventry	39	19	15	5	43
Watford	39	15	14	10	41
Norhampton	39	17	14	8	42
Crystal P.	39	10	15	8	40
Bristol R.	38	14	12	12	40
Southend	40	15	15	10	40
Brighton	38	10	15	7	39
Gillingham	38	10	15	7	39
Torquay	38	14	14	10	38
Queens P.R.	39	12	17	10	34
Bournemouth	39	11	16	12	34
Luton	38	12	14	12	36
Bristol C.	39	11	17	11	33
Aldershot	38	12	18	8	32
Newport	40	11	22	7	29
Swindon	38	9	19	10	28
Cardiff	38	10	21	7	27
Clapton O.	39	7	20	12	26

THIRD DIVISION (North)

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Hull	38	23	8	7	53
Chester	39	22	10	7	51
Wrexham	37	21	8	8	50
Stockport	39	18	9	12	48
Walsall	39	18	13	8	44
Barnsley	39	18	14	7	43
Gateshead	39	17	14	8	42
Doncaster	37	14	10	13	41
Barrow	39	17	15	7	41
Crewe	39	19	18	2	40
Tranmere	38	16	15	7	39
Abercrombie	38	14	14	10	38
Southport	39	15	17	7	37
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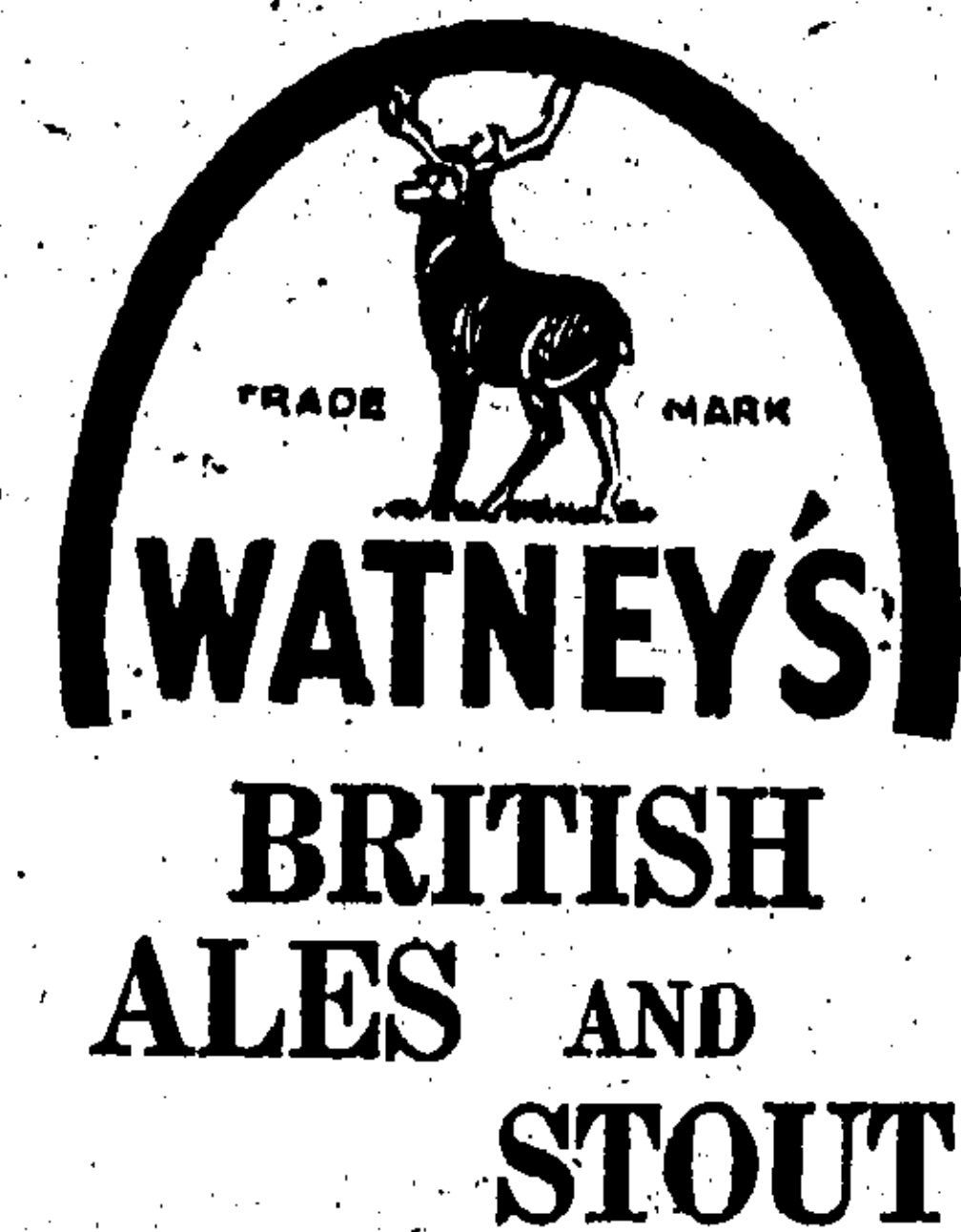
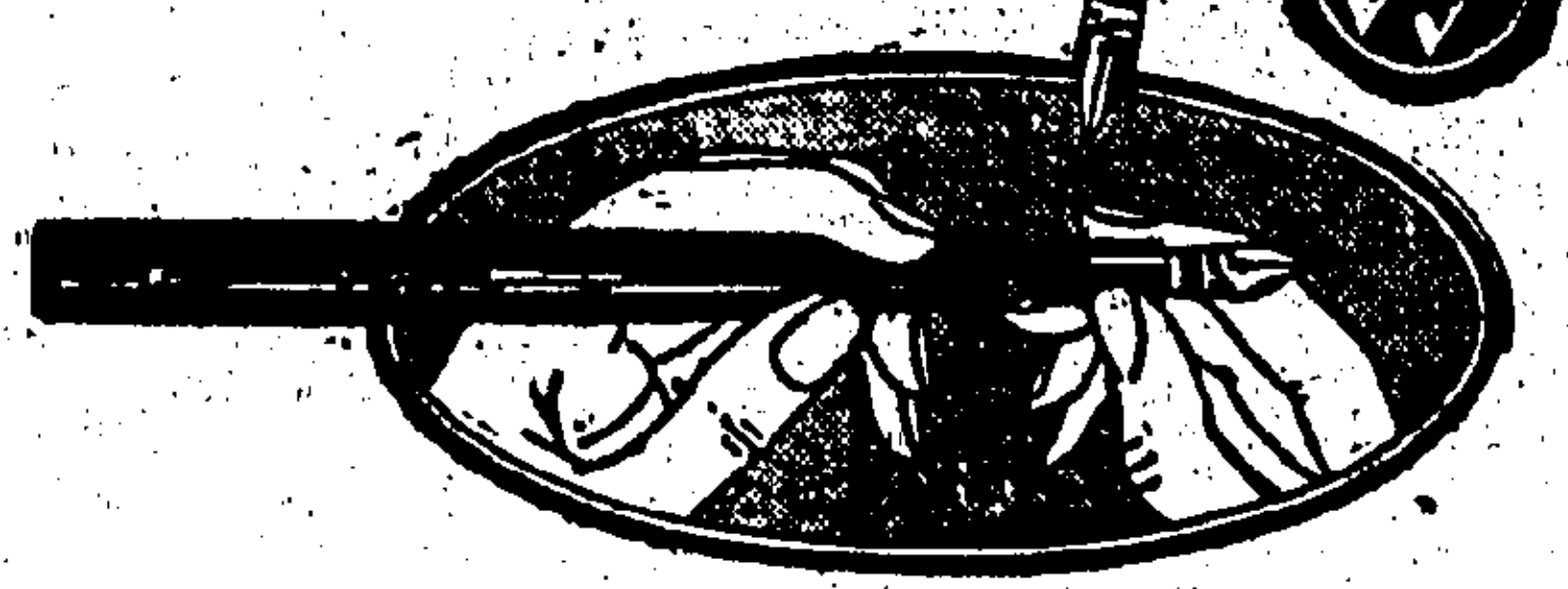
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Sporting Page



TENNIS

KOWLOON DOCK ENTER LEAGUE

Deutscher Klub's Return After Year's Absence.

FOUR CLUBS ENTERED

The Kowloon Dock Recreation Club are entering a team in the 1933 Lawn Tennis League for the first time in many years, while among the fourteen entries already received is included the Deutscher Klub, who did not compete last year. The entries close on Saturday.

The following are the clubs who have entered:

South China A.A.
Chinese R.C.
Indian R.C.
Kowloon C.C.
Hong Kong C.C.
University.
Craigengower C.C.
United Services R.C.
Deutscher Klub.
Police R.C.
Kowloon Dock R.C.
Civil Service C.C.
Club de Recreio
Army T.C.

At a meeting of the L.T.A. Council last night it was decided that each of the four divisions in the League would be given a set day on which to play their matches. Should weather conditions cause the match to be unplayed the captains of the two teams should arrange for some other day in the week.

It was also decided that, in view of the promotion and relegation scheme that is to be introduced this year, clubs should send in their team nominations not later than Saturday.

The following were elected to form the Executive Committee for the ensuing year: Messrs. A. el Arculli, H. J. Armstrong, Leo D'Almada and Major R. S. Lochner.

An Interport Selection Committee was also appointed: Messrs. Ng Sekkwong, C. P. F. James, S. A. Rumjahn, G. W. Sewell and R. E. Lindsell.

Mr. S. A. Gray was re-elected Hon. League Secretary.



NAVY LOWER DECK HOCKEY TEAM.

Playing Incognitos On Friday.

The following will represent the Navy Lower Deck eleven against the Incognitos at King's Park on Friday at 5.15 p.m.:

Sgt. Moyes (Berwick); Tel. Steers (Medway) and L. A. C. Ward (Hermes); Ldg. Sto. Mattion (Hermes); Tel. Swann (Medway) and A. B. Johnson (Berwick); Sto. Barby (Medway), A. B. Tarr (Odin), Sig. McCrae (Parthian), A. N. Other (Berwick) and Ldg. Sea. Brown (Parthian).

On Tuesday next, April 25, the Medway officers will play the Radio Sports Club, Marnak Champions, on the Naval ground at 5.15 p.m.

"Y" BEAT LINCOLNS

The Y. M. C. A. beat the Lincolns yesterday by the odd goal in three. S. Fowler scored both goals for the "Y".

Mohammedans at Brisbane presented the Nawab of Palauli with a walking-stick, and an illuminated address before he left for Sydney.

GOLF

SHANGHAI VISITORS' GOLF CUP

BEST ELEVEN CARDS RETURNED

Lay Wins Bogey Pool In Field Of 122.

DIVETT WINS MEDAL ROUND

J. B. Ross, who tied with G. C. Worrall in a field of 58 entries for the Shanghai Visitors' Cup at Fanning over the Easter week-end, was awarded the trophy on account of a better second round card than that of Worrall.

Worrall, however, won the prize for the best morning round when he went round in 76. C. C. Stark won the afternoon round prize with a 79.

The following were the leading scores:

1. J. B. Ross 80+87=167-20=147
2. G. C. Worrall 76+91=167-20=147
3. E. Lewis 79+87=166-16=150
4. H. Hampton 88+86=174-22=152
5. A. D. Copplin 92+82=174-32=152
6. C. C. Stark 88+79=167-14=153
7. E. J. R. Weeks 81+86=167-24=153
8. F. M. Ellis 85+80=165-30=155
9. H. Lafford 83+82=165-28=157
10. G. E. Divett 90+91=181-24=157
11. E. des Voeux 90+93=183-26=157

The Bogey Pool

A. T. Lay (6), with 3 up, won the Bogey Pool over the Old Course, during the week-end, a competition in which there were no fewer than 122 entries.

Five players tied for the second and third prizes, and the following result was decided by lot:

2. H. Lafford (14) 2 up.

3. C. W. F. Booker (6) 2 up.

Other scores included W. A. Stewart (11), H. H. Mundy (12), and H. H. Pethick (14), all of whom were 2 up; and A. E. Wood (17), N. V. Littlejohn and L. R. Andrews (1) all of whom were 1 up.

Medal Round

G. E. R. Divett with a card of 90-12=78 won the Medal Round over the old course. There were 10 entries.

Junior Bogey Pool

L. C. Grover (14), with 2 up, won the Bogey Pool over the New Course from a field of 33 entries.

Other scores included T. A. Pearce (scr.) 1 up, and J. B. Mackie (8), L. R. Andrews (1) and J. W. King (18) all of whom were square.

Mixed Bogey Pool

Mr. and Mrs. Lafford (14 and 22), with 2 up, won the Mixed Bogey Pool played over the New Course. There were 12 entries.



RACE PONIES' CLASSIFICATION

Few Changes Made.

The Hong Kong Jockey Club notify the following changes in pony classification:

AUSTRALIAN "B" Class.

Ration.

CHINA "A" Class.

Lunar Star.

"B" Class.

Bistre, Marquis Hall.

"C" Class.

Tillicum, Royal Flush.

"D" Class.

Sam, Esk, Foolsap, Glen Sheo, Gold Ring, Golly Eyes, Helter, Skelter, King's Company, Melvill, Molyah, The Loafers, White Star, Fi Fa, The Crook.

"E" Class.

Battling Horse, Carnation II, Cy-pres, The Rainstorm, Just Imagine.

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China Mail

\$15,000 PRIZE FOR LONDON TO MELBOURNE AIR RACE.

Open To All-Comers.

Sydney, Apr. 13.

Sir Macpherson Robertson, the wealthy confectionery manufacturer, who financed the British Australian and New Zealand Antarctic expedition in 1929, has offered a prize of \$15,000 to the winner of an air race which, he proposes, should be held in October 1934, from London to Melbourne.

The race will be open to all comers and will be held in connection with the centenary celebrations of the State of Victoria.

—Router.



REX, King of 2,000 wild horses, will soon be seen in Hong Kong in a film of the Wild West.

Steve Donoghue, the famous jockey, has returned to England after his holiday in Portugal. He is in perfect condition and will ride at 7st 9lb.

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Miami, Fla., March 11.

TWELVE thousand halled Charley O, full brother to Mike Hall, as the best of the 3 year olds in this area when he won decisively in the \$13,975 Florida Derby, closing day feature at Hialeah Park to-day.

The son of Hourless and Clonakilly, which has received more than desultory support to win the Kentucky Derby, scored by three lengths, paying \$22.40 for \$2.00.

Second to the wire was Jungle King, 4 to 5 favourite in a field of ten, leading Inlander by three lengths. The winner earned \$10,475 and finished the mile and an eighth in 1:49 3-5, only two-fifths of a second above the track record. He had 118 pounds up and was ridden by Johnny Gilbert. Charley O ran in the name of the R. M. Eastman estate.

MR. CHANSON NOT SUSPENDED

Mr. H. P. Chanson, the Chinese jockey, has not been suspended as the result of the incident in the last race on Monday, when Iron Grey bore in and nearly brought down Golden Dragon (Mr. Heard) besides causing Mr. Frost to split his saddle in half.

Mr. C. B. Brown, Secretary of the Jockey Club, told the China Mail this morning that Mr. Chanson had not been suspended.

JAPANESE SWIMMING TEAM TO VISIT AMERICA.

Ten Expected To Constitute Team.

Tokyo, Apr. 13.

Acting on the decision reached at the meeting of delegates committee, the Japan Aquatic Sport Union has cabled to the A. A. U. of the United States, accepting the latter's invitation to take part in the swimming meet scheduled for this summer.

A group of first class swimming champions, numbering some 10, is leaving Yokohama for America in the middle of June—Rango.



B. LANGE of the Y. M. C. A.

who is favourite for the middle distances in the "Y" swimming championships this season. Lange learned his swimming in Tientsin. (See Page 8.)

The Yorkshire County C. C. committee announce that A. B. Sellers, who led the champion last summer, has accepted the captaincy for 1933.

GOSSIP IN SPORTS WORLD

British Boxing Hope: Bull-Fighter for Film: Bradman The Best.

By ROVER



Anglo-Saxon Matador.

MR. Sydney Franklin, the only Anglo-Saxon bull-fighter, has arrived in London. He is the subject of an essay in Ernest Hemingway's "Death in the Afternoon," where he is described as a matador "with a cold, serene and intelligent valour."

Mr. Franklin, a lean, fair-haired American of 29, made his debut in Mexico City ten years ago. He was a raw beginner, was tossed about the ring, and spent a fortnight in a hospital. Now he is one of the most famous matadors in Spain, so highly paid that he looks forward to retiring in another five or six years and settling down on his ranch in Mexico.

"A good matador," he told me, "can give from 50 to 100 performances a year, at anything from 2,500 to 4,000 dollars a performance, or from 100,000 to 400,000 dollars (£20,000 to £80,000 at par) a year."

He has never contemplated matrimony; for he thinks that the anxiety is unfair to the matador's wife, and that thinking of her would be likely to destroy his nerve.

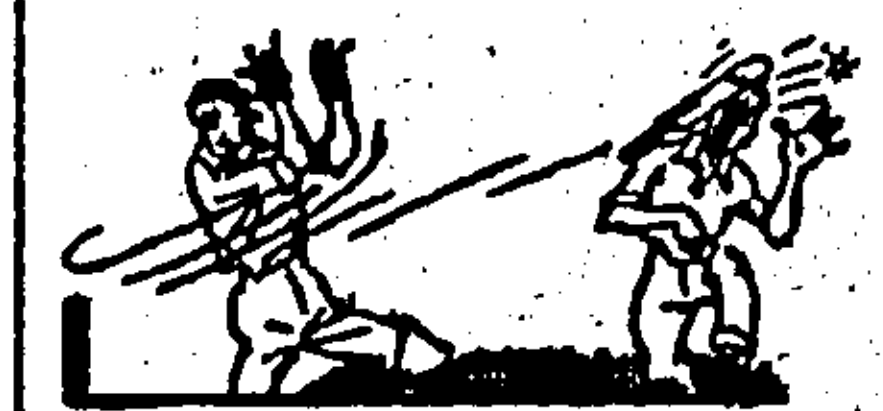
Colour-Blind Bulls.

A MATADOR has about fifteen seconds to sum up a bull's peculiarities," he explained. "No two behave exactly alike. If a bull has ever been injured on one side it will bear to the left in a charge, and as one's life depends on the implanting of darts, on the other side, by men on horses.

"The matador is bound by convention and by common-sense to stand still. The bull will attack anything moving; the man's safety depends on his remaining still and diverting attention with the cloth. But the colour is immaterial, for bulls are colour-blind.

"They used to kill eight or ten horses in a day," he added, "but the use of thick padding (which I helped to get adopted) has so reduced the risk to horses that several meetings go by without a loss."

Mr. Franklin will be seen in the ring in the coming Eddie Cantor film, "The Kid from Spain."



"DON BRADMAN is still by far the best batsman in the world," said Jack Hobbs, before leaving for England by the Otranto, in an interview at Adelaide. "Had he not been troubled by the so-called body-line bowling, England's victory would not have been so easily gained."

Billiards Losses.

TOM Reese, the professional billiards player, appeared in the Cambridge Bankruptcy Court. His statement of affairs showed liabilities expected to rank of £516 and net assets of £685, giving an estimated surplus of £169.

Mr. Reese attributed his position chiefly to depreciation of billiards tables and fittings and the high rent of club premises.

He promoted the Victoria Club, Newmarket, in 1929, mainly for the use of trainers and jockeys; and in March of that year he opened a billiard hall and spent \$1500 on fittings.

Trent XV Unbeaten.

TRENT COLLEGE have had another remarkable Rugby season. They have played eighteen matches, winning seventeen, and drawing in a pointless game with Nottingham University.

In school matches Trent scored 203 points against 6; Oakham and Danstone alone crossing their line. In all matches the school line was crossed five times, 589 points being scored for and 22 against.

New Boxing Hope.

A "hope" was discovered, it is thought, during the tournament at the Ring. He is Kid Scott, a Sheffield lad of 18, who is being assisted by the famous lightweight champion, Johnny Cuthbert.

To qualify for the semi-final of the competition Scott beat Gunner Bennett (Slough) on points. In the later round he earned the right to meet Renee Morris, (Australia) in the final next Sunday by disposing of Ted Pearson (Colchester) in almost record time with a devastating left hook shortly after the opening round had commenced.

A Remarkable Career.

PREVIOUS reference to G. P. S. Macpherson, Scotland's outstanding has three-quarter and captain since the war, prompted the following reply:

"Macpherson had a remarkable Rugby career. He captained the six teams with which he was associated after leaving Fettes College in 1921, including his country. In 1921-2, he failed to get his Blue at Oxford, but was capped four times in that season, first of all as a stand-off half.

"He would doubtless have had further honours if he had not gone to study in America for a year just when his genius was being fully recognised."

Plymouth's Tour.

A DELIGHTFUL combined business and pleasure tour is being arranged for the Plymouth Argyle F. C., to begin on May 2—two days after the season closes—and end on May 25.

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A S captain-in-charge of games and sports at the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, for the present term, the following Gentlemen Cadets have been appointed:—Rugby football C. L. Melville (Sedburgh); Association football, P. W. B. Pole-Carew (Eton); athletics P. Arkwright (Eton); boxing, H. G. Lyons-Montgomery (Clifton); fencing, J. A. Colvin (Charterhouse); cricket, P. M. Nelson (Marlborough), who is also appointed as captain of the racket team; rifle shooting, J. H. C. Pearson (Uppingham); golf, J. F. C. Mellor (Eton).



Goalkeeper's Lawsuit.

I HEAR from Paris that Pierre Chayrigues, the most famous goalkeeper the country has produced, is suing the French Football Federation for £3,000 because, he alleges, "they will not allow me to play."

Chayrigues, who has played for France twenty-one times, declared two or three years ago that he was a professional. Payment to French footballers was not officially recognised then, and ultimately Chayrigues was suspended. He then went abroad as a trainer, but has now returned to France, and wishes to play again.



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SENKA'S MASTERPIECE

(Continued from page 7.)

"Take your filthy Staretz, Senka. He needs a bit of widening. I'm as suffocated as though he had been the real Gregori."

A queer sort of film blinked before Senka's eyes just then. It seemed to drop like a shutter from the gash in his forehead. He had noticed it twice before that night. It made the macabre crowd of masks about him look like a Walpurgis night, and he hurried nervously, carrying the Staretz, down to his underground workshop. Carefully he placed the saturnine mask on the brilliantly-illuminated bench and turned away to find tools.

When he turned again there was something different about the mask on the bench. It had changed. It was an exquisitely noble and gentle face.

"No!" murmured Senka, trembling more than a little.

He stood there, staring first at his finger-tips and then at the mask on the bench. This was the second time it had happened—that piercingly kind face which mocked him so lovingly. The first time was on the comic figure of himself that he had made for Krakorin. He had taken off the head breathlessly, reverently, and laid it away, only to find when he looked at it again that it had changed back again into Senka Bucharov, Comrade Conk....

Here was a quandary. He would have given his beating heart to take this Face home and hide it. But it would have been sabotage and theft. On the other hand, if anybody came into the workshop and saw what had happened—

Senka slowly took up a mallet. And then he saw that the mask had changed. It was the Staretz again.

"There must be something wrong with my eyes," said Senka.

Which was the practical truth. Next day he went to a clinic where a young doctor mauled him about and pulled his nose as though it had been a cow's test—but only playfully. "Cataract," the doctor said, "not the senile kind. Did you have a shock at some time?"

"Never," answered Senka.

"Then I'll give you one now. You won't see very much in a few months' time."

Senka went away thoughtfully. All his life he had yearned for some secret to hug from everybody else. Now he had it. If they knew at the Opera that he was going blind. It was short shrift for Senka, the old bourgeois conk, the left-over. They would say he couldn't work, and he would starve on his rags and paper. A secret. Even when he was blind, he would keep it.

They didn't understand how marvellously clever his fingers were growing. Growing and growing. And what marvellous thing his eyes, while they lasted, could see.

It was that giant Orthodox priest that worked the trick. There came behind the scenes of the ballet after the performance, one night, Tarvov, of Propaganda Art, Section 3. Before him, Senka, summoned with Prockl, abased himself with obsequious smiles. There was required a Head of Lenin for the March Demonstration. Something gigantic, yet temporary. It was to be built as big as a house in a corner of the Red Square, and it was to be hollow, for electric illumination.

Senka felt in a sheer dare of happiness. Tarvov found him another food ticket. Besides that, there were whole lashings of cabbage-soup brought in to him and Prockl, where they worked. True, Prockl was young, and bullied him. But Tarvov knew who was the craftsman.

"If you put your conk on Lenin, you'll find yourself in clink in no time," sneered Prockl.

Senka was fully alive to that peril. Strangely enough, he had never fashioned a mask of Vladimir Ilyitch yet. So, twice a day, he formed up in a queue outside the tomb and filed down into the dimly lit vault. Unfortunately the film was falling more often over his eyes. If he could have run his fingers over that calm, embalm-faced he would have feared nothing. But it was beneath a glass-case, of course. There was nothing to do but blink at it, till he was pushed on. When that happened, Senka queued up again, and had another look though it was hard to keep those itching fingers of his by his sides....

But the scale-model came out fine; slant eyes, high Tartar cheekbones, little-bearded chin. No conk. Not a trace of it.

It was beastly cold, working on the structure in the Red Square, when the icy wind blew. The steel scaffold-poles blistered the hands. When the workmen finished the plywood framework, he and Prockl began the covering and varnishing.

Prockl was turning infernally jealous. Once, when Senka was absent, he padded out the nose, which was the size of a man, and turned it into a conk. But Senka got back in time and scotched it. The next day Prockl tried to push him from the scaffolding, but he held on. Not that he might not have been better in hospital—where they would not starve even an old left-over—but his eyes were going fast now. This was their last chance. After this he would have to rely upon his marvellous fingers on the small masks. And this, Senka knew quite clearly, was his masterpiece.

At last the great head was finished, all but the last coat of varnish on the big bald forehead. The scaffolding was taken down and piled on a waiting truck. Bigger than a house—far bigger—the vast, inscrutable face stood looking across the Red Square from its corner. Senka's skinny throat worked a little with emotion as he looked at it. The crowd which had gathered surveyed him, almost respectfully, seeing the paint and varnish on his blouse.

"They are taking me on the Propaganda for good," said Prockl complacently, "and paying me well. Tarvov is very pleased."

Slowly Senka went home, though it was mid-day. Long before he had dug and scabbled beneath his bed in the cellar and found another bottle of brandy. Some previous occupant of the bed must have stolen the two bottles and snatched them there. Senka had kept the second one to drink to his masterpiece when it happened. He drank now, in slow, lonely sips. It took away some of the pain from behind his eyes.

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LLOYD TRIESTINO.

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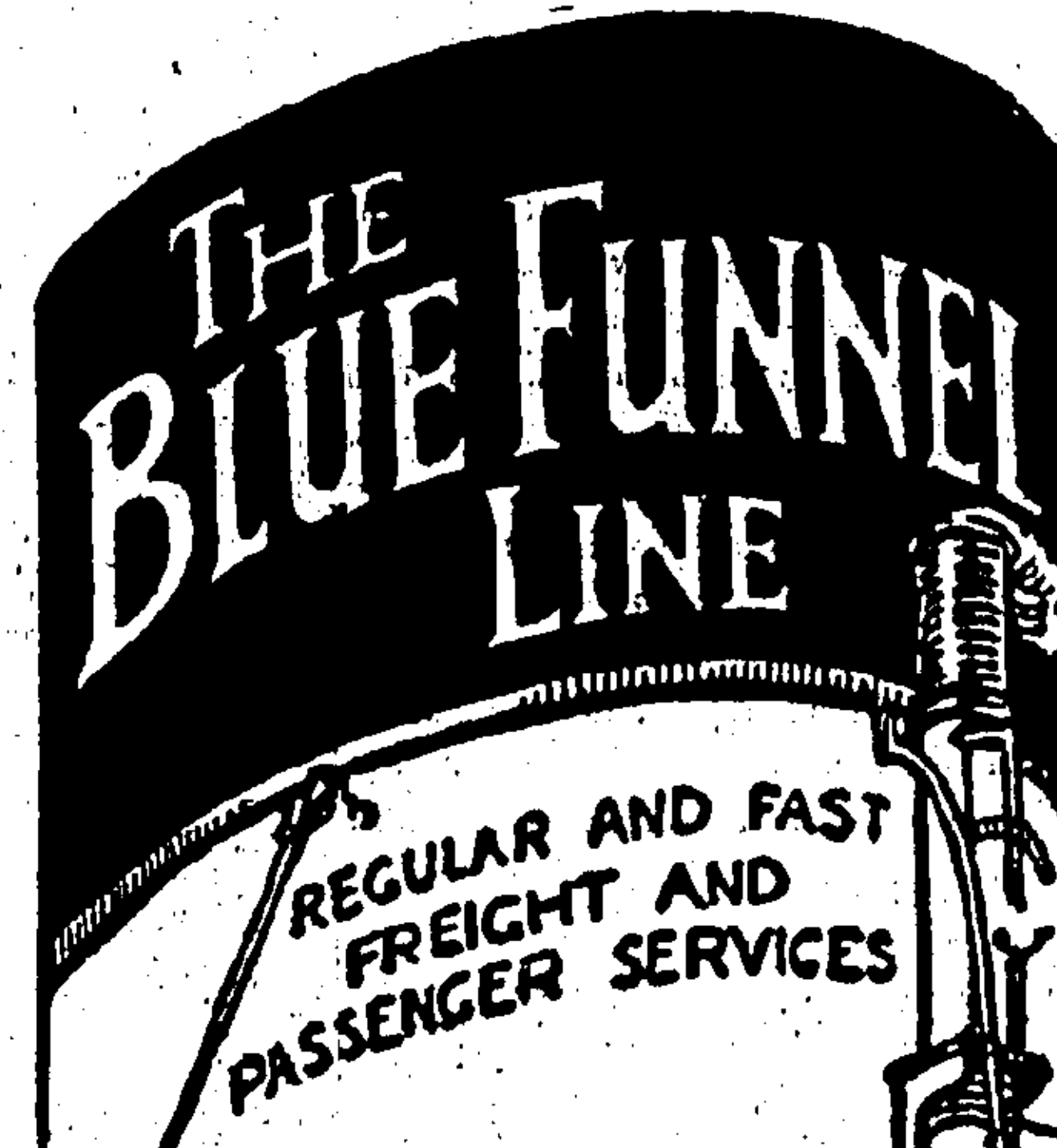
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GLARING EVILS OF DIVORCE LAWS.

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In another case a man, finding life with his wife very miserable, agreed with her to do the "gentlemanly thing" and give her the necessary evidence to divorce him. So he consulted two friends, not stodgy lawyers, but men of the world, who assured him that it was the easiest thing possible.

You had only to take a lady—any lady friend would do—to an hotel, spend the night in two rooms as far removed as the poles, but be careful to pay both bills yourself in the morning. And there you were! So this was done.

Trying To Deceive The Court.

Later, still following the same expert advice, he wrote a formal letter to his wife telling her that he had stayed the night at the hotel with a lady, and saying that she would find conclusive evidence of his adultery in the fact that he had paid the bill for both; and asking "would she please divorce him as soon as possible."

Then he went to a lawyer, and was told, of course, that his scheme was simply silly, and that a cat wouldn't be divorced because he and another cat had spent the night on neighbouring roofs.

"But," added the lawyer, "if your wife is so anxious to get a divorce, perhaps she has a reason; why not have her watched?" This was done, and it was soon discovered that the wife was living in almost open adultery with another man, and the husband knew nothing.

So the husband thereupon presented a petition against the wife, instead of its being the other way round, and the case came on for trial.

But in England the law is that a man who has himself been guilty of adultery cannot obtain a divorce from his wife for her adultery, unless the judge exercises a discretion in his favour.

Ludicrously Wrong.

And here was a man who, with the intention of deceiving the Court, and in obvious collusion with his wife, had written to her saying that he had himself been guilty of the same offence! And that the letter was completely untrue made the matter, if anything, rather worse.

Fortunately, however, the case came before a kindly judge with a sense of humour, and by making some fun of the husband's amateur efforts at deception and proving the very bad and continuous adultery of the wife I got him through and he was given a decree.

A law which provides that if one party has committed adultery the marriage may be dissolved, but that if the marriage has been such a hopeless failure that both have been unfaithful they must remain man and wife, seems to me ludicrously wrong.

It is true that if the complaining spouse, whether husband or wife, admits that he or she has been guilty of a similar offence the judge may, if he can find extenuating circumstances, nevertheless grant to him or her the desired divorce.

But surely the process should be reversed, and where both parties before the Court have been unfaithful the marriage should ipso facto be dissolved unless the judge finds the circumstances of the mutual unfaithfulness to be so scandalous that he must exercise the discretion with which he is vested against both or either applicant.

The bald statement to the effect that it is in the interests of the community that where one party has been unfaithful a marriage can be dissolved, but that where both have it must be maintained, seems to carry refutation on the face of it.

And the judges at present have great difficulty in knowing what really amounts to extenuating circumstances sufficient to warrant the exercise of discretion in favour of a petitioner admitting his or her own offence.

The distinguished President of the Probate and Divorce Division has defined as far as possible what should be the guiding principle to apply, but it must be admitted that, nevertheless, the whole matter remains, perhaps necessarily, nebulous, and "discretion" depends largely on the idiosyncrasy of each particular judge.

There remains the question of the King's Proctor. Recently there has been an agitation in favour of abolishing this official altogether. But as long as the law remains as at present he is surely a necessity.

The King's Proctor.

It is a good defence to a divorce petition that the petitioner has committed the offence of the other party, or has condoned it, or that the

Senka's Masterpiece

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Presently the last drain was gone. Senka threw the bottle away and sat staring awhile at his fingertips. Then he went out again.

Moscow hummed busily about him. He loved it, old left-over that he was. He was no secret-keeper. He had pretended so long to the young ones that his ideology was up-to-date, that he believed it himself. So they were taking Prockl on the Propaganda....

Of course, he gravitated to the Red Square. There was no pain behind his eyes now; only a warm, comfortable haze. He was haunted, but only indifferently, by a feeling that he had put a conk upon Lenin, after all. He came into the Red Square, from one of the streets where Lenin's head hit him slap in the face.

Senka stood very still. "No!" he said, quite gravely. There was no conk. The big face reared, huge and gentle, with the innocent strength of a child, and the loving kindness of an immortal Man. Its noble contours and sweet expression took Senka's breath away. It pitted God, how it pitted Senka Bucharov! Yet it smiled too.

"It has happened again," murmured Senka.

A wave of intoxicating delight came that washed out the brandy as though it had been water. This was indeed his masterpiece. And then a dread came. The others had changed back, Senka remembered. If this one did the same his heart would break. On the other hand, there was a first-class quantity now. Moscow and the Propaganda would never stand for that beautiful, gentle Thing. And never again would he make a mask for the Moscow Ballet.... Evidently the GPU had not seen it yet.... would they send a blind man to Siberia.

Nearer and closer he went. There were very few people round it at that moment.

Senka elbowed his way through the loungers. He had not elbowed his way anywhere for fifteen years and more. There was no trace of Prockl. This was his. It belonged to no other soul in the world. It had not changed back. It stayed. It stayed for him. He felt a great, icy-cool desire to die there and then and take it with him. Senka's Christ.

The truck with the scaffold-poles still stood there, unattended. On the running-board were two large cans of petrol. Senka took them off.

"Gangway there, comrades!" he called good-humouredly. It thrilled him to the marrow to see how they obeyed. They watched him with the curiosity of such sight-seers as he emptied the cans round the newly varnished base of the head. No doubt they thought it was some sort of weather-proofing treatment.

One single ladder still ran up to the big forehead. Senka went to the sixth rung before he set alight a box of matches and dropped it. It started a very good and determined fire.

Senka climbed up without hurrying.

whole thing is collusive—that is, a "put-up" job between the parties founded on untruths—and who is to discover all this except the King's Proctor?

What is the good of a six month interval between the time when the case is tried and the judgment becomes effective, unless it be to give opportunity for investigation?

The real objection to the King's Proctor's department seems to be that it is not provided with sufficient funds properly to carry out the stupendous task which the modern rush of undefended divorce cases has placed upon it.

It is by no means uncommon to find that in undefended cases—particularly among those brought under the poor persons' rules—the evidence is, either from ignorance or intention, altogether wrong or only partly true; and it is not conducive to the proper administration of justice that anyone should suppose it an easy matter to deceive a Court.

The King's Proctor cannot possibly investigate more than a very small proportion of the cases tried in the Divorce Courts, but it is in the Divorce Courts that the parties should

HONG KONG HEALTH WORKERS.

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SEQUEL TO PLEASURE WALK.

With the passing of the New Territories Medical Benevolent Society which in the past has done such yeoman service amongst the villages at Tun Mun, Tsun Wan, Ping Shan and Shatin, a tribute should be paid to the pioneer organisers and workers of that organisation.

It may not be generally known that the Society owed its origin to Sir Elly Kadoorie and his two sons, Messrs. Laurence and Raymond Kadoorie, Professor Gerard, Mr. E. M. Raymond and Dr. Arthur Woo, who on pleasure bent, were struck by the sickness—eye trouble, septic sores etc.—rife amongst the children in the villages at Ching Shan and Tun Mun. These gentlemen provided the funds and incidentally the medicines for the amelioration of the condition of these people and from this small beginning grew up the organisation which has now amalgamated with the New Territories section of the St. John Ambulance which worked on similar lines but in different areas.

"Great oaks from little acorns grow."

The new organisation, now known as the St. John Ambulance New Territories Medical Benevolent Branch, has clinics at Tsun Wan, Ha Tsun, Ping Shan, San Tin, Fan Ling, Shataukok, Kam Tin, Ting Kok, Shatin, and Cheung Chau with a staff of fifteen nurses, two full time doctors, and a number of consulting and visiting doctors, all of whom give free service to the sick in the districts and villages already mentioned. All calls whether by night or day receive full and undivided attention.

The Funds necessary for the maintenance of the Society are derived from various sources; subscriptions and donations from the charitably inclined from concerts, theatrical performances, dances, flag days and a prize drawing. Any who wish to aid a deserving cause cannot do better than send their donations to Dr. Arthur Woo the Commissioner, Mr. Morris or to the joint secretaries of the new organisation, Dr. Tsung Fat In, and Mrs. R. Langley.

DOLLAR LINE CAPTAIN TRANSFERRED.

Cabled advices received by the Dollar Steamship Line are to the effect that Captain George W. Yardley, popular commander of the Dollar Steamship Line s.s. "President Cleveland," has been transferred to the s.s. "President Lincoln," which sailed from San Francisco for the Orient on April 7.

Captain Yardley has a wide circle of friends in the Orient and has been commander of the "President Cleveland" since that steamer was launched in 1921.

COUNCIL AND SHIPYARD.

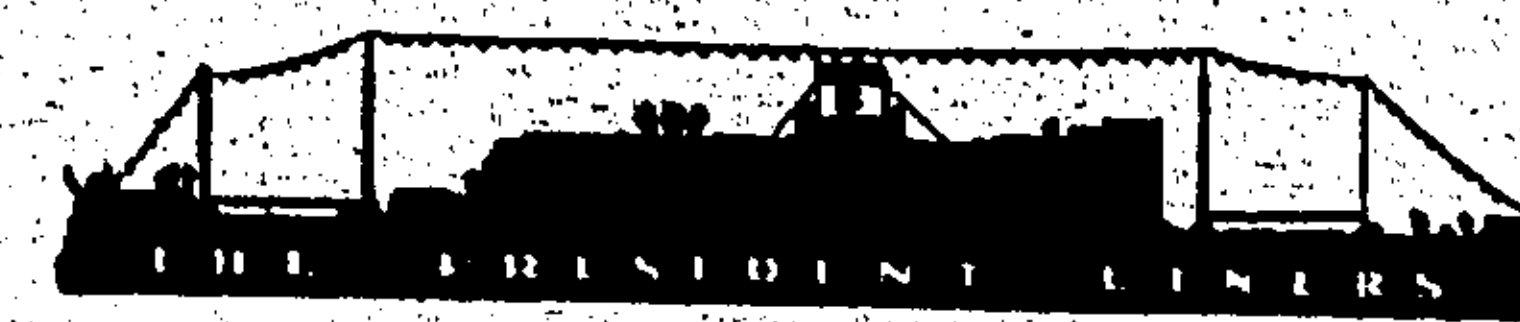
Hull City Council will be asked to sanction negotiations with the National Shipbuilders' Securities, Ltd., for the acquisition of Earle's Shipyard, which was closed as being redundant, but the objects of the proposed purchase are not disclosed.

HONG KONG TIDES

Time Meridian 120 deg. E. (Zone-8); coh. is midnight, 12h. is noon. Heights are referred to the datum of the largest scale Admiralty chart of the place and should be added to depths, unless preceded by an asterisk (*) when they should be subtracted.

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	Standard Ht.	Standard Ht.
	Time.	Time.
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Fri. 21	08 15 58	10 23 35
Sat. 22	08 32 57	10 21 14
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Decline Of 75 Per Cent. In 1932.

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New York. The net profits of 375 corporations whose annual reports have been compiled by the National City Bank of New York showed a decline of 75 per cent. in 1932 as compared with the previous year.

A preliminary summary of the reports of 375 industrial corporations, for the fiscal calendar year 1932, shows, "a combined net profit after all charges but before dividends, and after deducting the deficits, of \$56,000,000 compared with \$225,000,000 for the same companies in 1931, representing a decline of 75 per cent."

"Deficits for the year were shown by 55 per cent. of the reports tabulated to date, and aggregated \$151,000,000 while in 1931 deficits were reported by 36 per cent. and aggregated \$97,000,000. A few companies did better in 1932 than in 1931.

"Our records show 52 concerns reporting an increase in profits, or a deficit changed to a net profit, but for the most part these companies are relatively

GUNBOAT SEARCH FOR PIRATES.

Customs Launch Outrage.

NO TRACE OF RAIDERS.

H. M. S. Tarantula was despatched to Pin Cheung Island, from Kowloon, yesterday, to search for the pirates, who, on Monday attacked the Chinese Maritime Customs launch Chenan, killing two European officers Mr. E. E. Pierce and Mr. W. G. B. Baldwin.

The gunboat arrived at Chuk Chan, yesterday afternoon, and there met a Chinese gunboat, which supplied information regarding the scene of the piracy.

H. M. S. Tarantula then steamed down an unsurveyed reach of the West River, a very clever piece of seamanship, and arrived opposite Pin Cheung Island, where the outrage had taken place.

Nothing was seen of the pirates, and as there was nothing more to be done in this vicinity, the Tarantula returned to her station this morning.

WEATHER FORECAST

Moderate south-east winds; cloudy generally, is the weather forecast issued from the Royal Observatory to-day.

small and not the leading and representative organisations in their respective industries."

MAMMOTH BASEBALL SCORING

Sam Jones Fails As Star Pitcher.

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New York, To-day. Chicago registered a big triumph yesterday when they beat Detroit Tigers by 12 to 0. Sam Jones, the Tigers' new pitcher proved very disappointing.

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Washington	4	9	1
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